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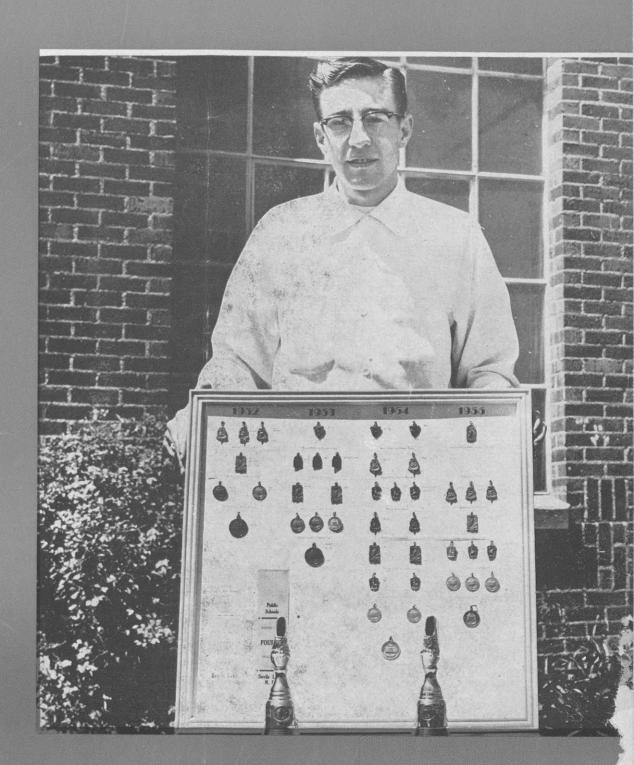
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Dollar-A-Month Club

In our haste to get The Silent Worker off the presses immediately after the N.A.D. convention in July, we failed to give a completely accurate description of the new "Dollar-A-Month" plan adopted at the convention, which was mentioned in this column. We gave the impression that members signing up for membership in this club would pay their dollar each month for a certain number of months.

There is no limit on the number of months. It is hoped that members will continue paying their dollar per month forever, and in accepting this plan a member merely agrees to pay a dol!ar a month to the N.A.D. When he sends in the first dollar, he will be sent a supply of addressed postage-free envelopes for his future monthly remittances. Twelve envelopes, good for one year's payments, will be sent at a time.

The Dollar-A-Month plan was devised by a special committee appointed at the convention to work out a plan which would assure the Association of a more adequate income. It was pointed out in the president's report that the membership dues of two dollars per year were entirely inadequate to sustain the work of the Association, due to its rapid expansion in recent years, and the vastly increased volume of work done in the office. If all the deaf, and all friends of the deaf, will contribute one dollar each per month, the financial problem will be solved.

The Home Office staff is preparing a campaign to solicit dollar-a-month contributors everywhere, and a system of record-keeping is being set up. Persons interested in the continued success of the N.A.D., however, need not await receipt of a formal appeal. They may send in their dollar now and begin actively supporting the cause of the deaf. As was noted last month, every dollara-month contributor will receive THE SILENT WORKER at no extra cost.

Resolutions

The resolutions adopted at the N.A.D. convention are being published elsewhere in this issue. It was found on checking over these resolutions that there seemed to be a few slight omissions, but it was then too late to make corrections. N.A.D. Secretary Greenmun will compare this report with his convention minutes, and Wesley Lauritsen, chairman of the Resolutions Committee, will check with his original report. When it is finally accurate and complete, reprints will be made by The

SILENT WORKER printers, and widely distributed.

School Man Is Honored

THE SILENT WORKER congratulates Dr. Jackson A. Raney, superintendent of the Indiana School for the Deaf, who was recently elected president of Kiwanis International.

Dr. Raney is well known throughout the world of the deaf and he has long been recognized as one of our outstanding educators. Like most of our school executives, he has taken an active part in community affairs and highly deserves the honor that has come to him. It is an honor to us all to have one of our school men heading Kiwanis and it is likewise an honor to Kiwanis Inter-

Atlanta, 1959

The editor of The SILENT WORKER attended the AAAD basketball tournament in Los Angeles in April. On the assumption that since he was an editor he could write anything, he fashioned a description of the tournament games which was published in the sports department of this magazine in May. He thought he turned out a very neat job, and sat back to await the flood of compliments he expected. He even considered making a proposition to Sports Editor Art Kruger whereby the two of them would swap jobs.

He finds now that he was guilty of a colossal blunder, which he should have known would happen when he attempted to cover a subject on which he was no authority. He wrote that the 1958 AAAD tournament would be held in Atlanta, Georgia, which was a lamentable fabrication. It is the 1959 meet which will assemble in Atlanta. The 1958 tournament will take place in Chicago. And, for the sake of the record, the 1957 tournament goes to New York and 1956 to Cleveland.

The editor apologizes to the AAAD, to Chicago, and to Victor Galloway, hard working director of the Atlanta tournament. Mr. Galloway would be happy to see you in 1958, of course, but vou are hereby warned not to go to Atlanta looking for a tournament until 1959. That will be the 15th Annual AAAD Basketball Tournament.

Pen Pals

From time to time THE SILENT Worker receives letters from persons who desire to correspond with persons of certain similar tastes elsewhere. They are looking for "pen pals." We all like to write letters, and, better still, to receive them, but THE SILENT WORKER makes no promise of bringing together congenial pen pals. We do not have facilities for conducting such a service. However, we keep such requests on file and addresses of those in search of pen pals will be passed on if an opportunity occurs. We assume no responsibility for the consequences.

Just now we have a letter from a young man interested in swimming and skin diving, who would like to correspond with a young woman of similar inclinations. Any such young woman may contact THE SILENT WORKER for his address.

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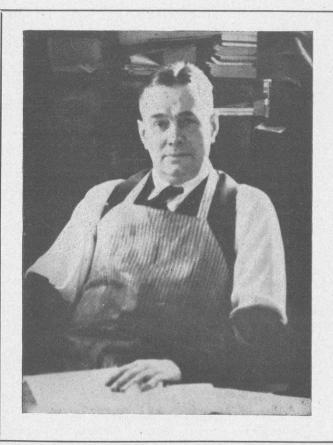
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Forty-one Years

(Dedicated to Walter G. Durian)

Now the end of a tale is "Thirty,"
And the lives of a man are one;
There are plenty of jobs less dirty
Than a printer — but none
So captures a young man's fancy
(Walter's is bred in the bone!) —
So the type-lice drink, and swim in the ink
And dance on the makeup stone.

Add the years (one, ten and thirty)—
Full forty and one have gone!
Since a young man, handsome and flirty,
Turned up and began to con
The proofs of a brand-new paper
Of an "Era" both old and "New"
While the type-lice sang, in tune with the clang
Of the presses, and dined on glue.

Ere my tale should end with "Thirty,"
Which printer-men know, means "done,"
Here's a toast to a man whose shirt he
Would give you, if you had none.
He will grin as he takes your brickbats;
When you're low, there's a word that cheers.
So here is to Walt — may he never grow halt
For another forty-one years!

— L.E.G.

W. G. Durian, Veteran Teacher, Honored on Retirement

American School Vocational Building to Bear His Name

By Loy E. Golladay

Walter G. Durian, dean of the faculty of the American School for the Deaf in length of service, and holder of the longest vocational-teaching record in the 138-year history of the school, retired as printing instructor June 17. At a testimonial dinner June 7, the superintendent, Dr. Edmund B. Boatner, announced that a new vocational building, now in the planning stage, will be named for Mr. Durian. Ground will be broken for this structure early during the next school year, if nothing prevents, and construction will immediately follow.

Mr. Durian was presented with a handsome gold Hamilton wristwatch from the Board of Directors, 1955." Presentation was made by Executive Committee Chairman Guy B. Holt, direct descendant of the first deaf teacher of the deaf, Laurent Clerc. Walter's fellow-teachers presented him with a 100 bill, and the school gave him a nice sports jacket. The American Era, school paper of which he was the cofounder with Supt. Frank R. Wheeler, dug up the old nameplate, "The New Era," and printed Walter's story under it for old times' sake.

The story of Walter Goreth Durian

is the same type of story that might be told of a great many graying teachers of the deaf, who are themselves deaf—of course with individual variations. It is a happy occasion when some school recognizes the sterling worth of such a teacher and honors him by naming a new building for him. Such "flowers for the living" bloom on as an inspiration for future generations of young deaf people, and prove that serving one's fellowmen is not always a thankless task.

Dr. Boatner compared Mr. Durian to the leading character in Hawthorne's story of The Great Stone Face, Ernest, who was always watching for someone who would live up to his ideals, but never succeeded until it turned out to be Ernest, himself. "Mr. Durian's influence for good," said Dr. Boatner, "extended far beyond the limits of the printshop." Others repeated instances of this influence and inspiration. The conscientious instructor, who never sought and did not always get his due share of credit for what he had done, was unmasked as person after person got up to relate little anecdotes or reminiscences of their contacts with him. Mr. Holt read a bit of verse about

Durian, and when announcement was made of naming the vocational building for him, he was given an ovation.

But let's go back to the beginning and skim lightly over his career.

Walter was the son of Mr. and Mrs. W. Frank Durian, the father familiarly known as "Pop" Durian, a well-known and beloved figure in the east until his death at the age of 82 a few years ago. "Pop" Durian could reminisce about hundreds of the leading deaf personages of previous generations, and it is from him that Walter probably obtained his love of the past.

Walter left the Mt. Airy school when he was a junior, to accept a printing job in Erie and later Pittsburgh. Dissatisfied with his education, he entered Western Pennsylvania School two years later, to prepare for Gallaudet College, from which he was graduated in 1054.

from which he was graduated in 1954. Walter C. Rockwell, a fellow-teacher at A.S.D., reveals that WGD (as we'll call him from here on) entered college quite a comparative "country hick"—but he took on polish quickly, no doubt assisted somewhat by the 1909 vintage hazing. Working every summer as a printer, and sometimes obtaining special permission to enter college a month or



FOUR GENERATIONS OF THE DURIAN FAMILY — Left to right: W. Frank Durian (father of Walter) holding Vance Studley; Maxwell Studley (son-in-law); Constance Durian Studley (daughter); Elsie Durian (wife); Walter G. Durian; and Burton W. Durian. Not in the picture: Granddaughter Sandra Studley and Martha, wife of Burton. Taken a year before W. F. Durian's death. — Cuts courtesy the American Era.

so late, WGD evidently carried back to Kendall Green wads of the "green stuff" that is said to talk — wads that would have choked some of the horses that were still rampant then, when "Get a horse!" was being yelled at drivers of the first popular automobiles.

Before WGD reached his junior year, he was one of the college dandies, a snappy dresser, and was regularly dating young hearing ladies in the company of Normal Student Burton W. Driggs - the same Normal who now heads the Idaho School and is the dignified holder of a doctorate. Besides playing basketball with WGD, Mr. Driggs is reputed to have started Durian on what might just possibly have been a career of pure oralism by teaching WGD to murmur the name of his current date, together with other sweetly inconsequential remarks - for example "I love you." "When may I call on you again?", etc. Apparently WGD was having too much success to suit the Normal student from Utah, especially with his cute moustache. One spring evening, as WGD sat in the college reading room stroking the offending handlebars, Mr. Driggs' self-control snapped. He

Congratulating Mr. Durian, right, on his retirement are Board of Directors Executive Committee Chairman Guy B. Holt, left, and Dr. E. B. Boatner, A. S. D. Superintendent. Mr. Holt is a descendant of Laurent Clerc, first teacher at A.S.D. The name of Clerc has always been closely associated with that of Thomas Hopkins Gallaudet as one of the fathers of deaf education in this country.

mounted a table and got the attention of other men students in the room. Within minutes WGD found himself held helpless and flat on the table while — oh, crowning indignity! — exactly one-half of the offending moustache was carefully shaved off He never grew another, and his partiality for oralism suffered an eclipse.

But his friendship for Mr. Driggs did not. WGD's son is named Burton, and there was a Durian Driggs who did not live to emulate the athletic feats of his namesake.

Walt Durian went out for football, basketball and baseball his first year or two in college, but with plenty of material for the gridiron—such as Foltz, Moore, Rockwell, Battiste and other "greats," plus WGD's profitable predilection for working at printing until late October or November - he soon decided to specialize in basketball. WGD was elected basketball captain during both his junior and senior years, and led both teams to successful seasons. His under-the-goal work, especially in defending his own basket, would have caused Lloyd's of London to reject any requests to insure WGD's retroussé profile, considering how the flailing elbows of friend and foe kept missing that Barrymore-like nose by distances best measured on a 1/10,000-inch micrometer.

It took another Normal student, none other than Dr. Ignatius Bjorlee, retiring this year as head of the Maryland School, to land an irresistible elbow on Walter's immovable schnozzle — and if you must know the results, the schnozzle cracked! Somehow the profile survived, a trifle battered but unbowed. Durian invested some of his hard-earned shekels

in a substantial noseguard which became his trademark in all subsequent games, and which he will still show on request.

But Fate, that fickle lady, had another cruel blow in store. On Memorial Day a few months later, the intercollegiate baseball crowd converged on the Catholic University diamond to see the Cardinals take on little Gallaudet for the mythical championship of the District of Columbia.

The Blues' batting practice fungo artists decided that coordination needed polishing up between rightfield (Durian) and centerfield (Birck, now dean of boys at the Berkeley School) - so he sent a sizzling smash in between. One of the fastest men on his feet in Gallaudet history, Birck streaked in to meet the ball, with Durian also in hot pursuit from his side, a few yards behind Birck. Birck's glove was a trifle slower than his feet, the ball scorched the leather as it rocketed through the fingertips - and landed with a crunch that might have been heard all the way back to Kendall Green — dead center on Durian's still sore nose!

We will draw the curtain on this episode, with Gallaudet's morale oozing away to the tune of five or six Redbird runs, while Durian sat in the CU infirmary nursing an elephantine throbbing in what was soon to be a king-size proboscis. Temporarily, however, as the profile eventually survived. But Durian learned his lesson, and ever since he has shown a distinct aversion to leading with his nose.

WGD's ability in printing, acquired both by inheritance from his printer-dad and by diligent practice, paid off. He was Buff and Blue foreman during





American School for the Deaf at Hortford. This shows the school as it appeared on the Asylum Hill site, where it stood from 1821 to 1921, when it was moved to West Hartford. Mr. Durian's shop was in the Industrial Building, which is still standing as a storage place for records of Hartford Fire Insurance Company.

sophomore, junior and senior years; and on graduation, he was invited to start a printshop in the country's oldest school for the deaf.

On the way to Hartford, WGD decided to make the trip from New York on one of the two sidewheeler steam packets which made daily trips via Long Island Sound and the Connecticut River, for the one-way fare of \$1.50, berth extra. After scorning a berth, WGD found himself getting more and more sleepy during the long night run. Sneaking up forward, he hid in a dark recess behind a lifeboat and fell into the arms of Morpheus.

Some time later, a ship's officer prodded him awake. Evidently his snoring had been mistaken for a short-circuited foghorn, but on finding he was deaf, the kindly officer led him deep down into the ship's bowels and gave him a free berth, close beside the clashing gears and shrieking steam valves of the main engine. Here deafness proved to be a real asset, and a new note was added to the chorus as his snoring was resumed.

After landing at Hartford, WGD inquired of a man on State Street how to reach the American School. Eight years later, Walter was sent to pick up a new little girl pupil, and it turned out to be this same man's daughter! The little girl is now Mrs. Ruth Katz Ecker, A.S.D. '38, who has two fine hearing children.

Superintendent Frank Wheeler had about \$1,500 to invest in printing types and a platen press, and he believed in getting his money's worth out of the new shop. Besides starting a school paper, the New Era, the school arranged to regain the publishing rights to about a dozen books previously printed for the profession by commercial plants in Hartford. Durian and his boys reset these books by hand and ran off large editions on the big platen press. Since that time, WGD's shop has been noted for doing the "impossible." As explained by Dr. Boatner, every time a particularly difficult or onerous job comes up, WGD claims it is impossible -then goes ahead and does it. Recent examples include printing a 250-page book of essays, setting the type for a 100-page Clerc Diary, setting and printing 1.000 copies of a profusely-illustrated biennial report, five numbers of the American Era including a special 1,700-copy number, all Convention of American Instructors of the Deaf programs, tickets and other jobs—all within a little over four months, with printing pupils in his shop for only two hours each afternoon. Leverett Blanchard was of great help at other hours during his spare time from Dean of Boys duties.

Printing was by no means WGD's only preoccupation at the American School. As the lone young male teacher among a faculty of elderly men, all dignified by both age and long beards, WGD had to step lively. He coached football and played against factory and club teams; did likewise in baskeball when eligibility rules didn't apply; and was Boy Scout leader and several other things at the same time. As Scout leader. he plunged fully clothed into the Farmington River near Windsor to rescue Mario Santin from certain drowning (it took 45 minutes to resuscitate Mario). Mario needs no introduction to SW readers. He had also, we have learned, saved a fellow Gallaudet student from Indiana from the same fate, then agreed to keep it a secret to save the boy from embarrassment. At Camp Mills, Unionville, Conn., he saved three lives when a tent burned down. He organized the Silent Mission Guild of the Episcopal Church which is still a very active group. He was a leader in organizing the Hartford Branch of the N. A. D., now Connecticut Association of the

In 1917 a Centennial Celebration was planned at the American School, with the NAD, the Teachers and Executives to hold conventions at the school, then at the original Asylum Avenue site, Hartford. Many other groups clamored to be included, so WGD was entrusted with the unenviable task of coordinating the plans and meetings of the ASD alumni, the New England Gallaudet Association of the Deaf, the Gallaudet College Alumni Association, and so on. No other teachers' convention or celebration of the deaf has surpassed the numbers and variety of interests present. variously estimated as from 1,400 to 2,500 persons within a little over a week's time - and during a war, too!

As NAD Impostor Chief in this area, WGD did yeoman duty. When the 1915 General Assembly of Connecticut held hearings on a bill to exempt the deaf from paying state taxes, WGD led the delegation which told the committee that the deaf preferred to carry their own weight as citizens. One amazed legislator planned to frame the bill and hang it in the capitol as a memento of the occasion, but we have never been able to find it there. Senator Langer isn't the first lawmaker to be so pleasantly surprised.

When the American School moved from the Asylum Hill plant to West Hartford in 1921, it was done somewhat piecemeal, with parts of both the old and the new plant being used. Somehow, some of the school's most valuable historical archives were thrown out to the mercy of the four winds and the other elements. Letters of Gallaudet, Clerc, Cogswell, Harvey P. Peet, W. W. Turner, and other leading personages in the early education of the deaf, would have been carted off to the waste heap if WGD had not found them and carefully hoarded them until the new school was completed. A major part of the older archives were saved through his efforts, and for many years he was unofficial archivist for these old records and letters. He is the one to whom all turn for information on anything connected with the early history of the school, although he is not an "Old Hartford" graduate.

During his younger and less patient days, Durian was noted for his most "strickingly" original method of calling the attention of young printing apprentices who were not doing justice to the job at hand. He would wind up his pitching arm and send at the offender a sizzling heave — and the soft rubber balls he used have since become collector's items among his former pupils.

We have been unable to find out exactly why he stopped this, but all the hints we have gathered point to any or a combination of all of the following reasons, to wit: (a) decline of his pitching arm, (b) the construction of a glassed-in office for him in the print-shop ("People who live in glass houses shouldn't throw . . ." etc.); (c) increas-

ing dignity, or (d) that his rapidly disappearing hoards of rubber balls seemed to show he was supplying a major share of A.S.D. playground paraphernalia in the form of balls, and he decided it was not appreciated enough.

At any rate, when this writer first met Mr. Durian 13 years ago, the only rubber balls associated with him were the well-chewed ones unearthed by the family dog, Bambi, when a visitor made the sign for "ball" in his presence.

In the archives of the Post Office Department, beginning in the fall of 1914, there are probably long lists of disability claims, requisitions for foot balm, liniment for aching backs and other postmen's ailments, strangely enough centered around the "beasts" of Asylum Hill, Hartford, and a Pennsylvania town where there resided a certain blonde-tressed damsel named Elsie. At any rate, J. W. Bouchard, then a pupil but now an A.S.D. teacher, is authority for WGD's spending a major part of almost every evening writing long letters to her, and he would never, repeat, never entrust them to anyone for mailing. Not long after his becoming settled in Hartford, Walter and Elsie were married and set up housekeeping. Together they raised a family, planned and built a home across the street from the present school and are now looking forward to the "golden years" of retirement together. Incidentally, Walter and Elsie played Cupid for the shy young Mr. Rockwell and the staid and proper Miss Flenner, without which the very happy marriage which resulted might never have been.

The New Era became the American Era in 1937. In 1942 this writer joined the staff and has been associated closely with WGD ever since, an association which has always been pleasant. Mr. Durian, although born deaf, has developed an enviable command of smooth and precise English, surprisingly devoid of any "deafish" mistakes — a fact which may be attributed to his love of reading and his continuing interest in developing his vocabulary. Many a proof, scrap of paper, or exchange has come from the printshop to this writer with some part of it covered with WGD's rounded writing and rewriting of some word which he wished to fix in his memory.

The vocational building which will be named for WGD may include a combination auditorium-gymnasium and facilities for meetings of various organizations. It is expected to stand near the west side of the football field. WGD, however, won't discuss it until he, says he, actually sees it in brick and concrete, from which we gather that the quiet chap from 154 North Main Street still cannot quite believe the honor that has come his way.



ken's korner

By Marcus C. Kenner

"Once in a while let's meet and lift a glass Before time takes us to some silent glen, Remembering all the pals who've had to pass, Remembering we won't come this way again."

After nearly 40 years of continuous NAD activity as President, V. P., Executive Board Member, and attendance at 12 Conventions in a row, I've finally "stepped out of the picture" as an official, at the recent Cincinnati Convention. This should permit me to relax a bit. However, I have not completely retired, — not by a long shot! At President Burnes' request, I shall gladly remain in an advisory capacity. ***** Incidental to Convention business was the pleasure of greeting old and meeting new friends. Those wonderful nonagenarians, Dr. George M. McClure of Kentucky, suh, and Baseball's famed Wm. H. Hoy of Cinn., both 94, made me feel like a callow kid, indeed. Noted were my fellow columnists, "Education Front" W. T. Griffing and the bearded "Silent Printer," Ray F. Stallo and his winsome wife. Among sons and daughters of the deaf, it was a delight to meet petite Mrs. Virginia Lewis, Mrs. Edwina Ruppert, Miss Bess Mc-Gregor, Mr. and Mrs. Dave Wilson, Jr., and — oh yes — Supt. and Mrs. Elwood A. Stevenson of California. We need more of their kind - and how! **** The Convention had its first opportunity to greet our Office Manager Mrs. Rene Epding, who rendered a creditable report of her work. It made quite an impression — as did her personality. We liked that little tale narrated at the Banquet by Ohio's Governor, Frank J. Lausche. He was making an unannounced visit to a certain Hospital. The colored elevator operator failed to recognize His Excellency and refused to take him up without necessary card of admission. "But I am Governor Lausche." said the latter. The colored gent was utterly unimpressed and, as he slammed the door, exclaimed, sure am a sick man, Mister!" **

As a recently-appointed "Kentucky Colonel," with 7 others, we are "at your service." According to Col. George M. McClure, our main duty will be to vote the straight Democratic ticket and, I presume, imbibe nothing but Ky. Bourbon and Mint Juleps. Should be easy; but, consider the mixed

emotions of one of its recipients, Gallaudet College's prexy, Dr. Leonard M. Elstead, who is also the possessor of an "Arkansas Traveler" citation (Republican vintage) which hangs on one of the walls in his office. Col. Elstead, an able tactitian, will doubtless avoid political complications by placing them on opposite walls!

Past experience has clearly shown that there is no earthly excuse for denying the deaf the right to operate autos, when qualified to do so. The testimony of many public officials recognizes them as among the "safest drivers" extant. Yet — in this year of grace — this Korner is in receipt of complaint from a young deaf couple in Conn. Though their record is unblemished, with never a violation or even a parking ticket, their insurance on new car was cancelled solely because they are "deaf and dumb"! Could anything be dumber? We are investigating this case. Mind, eternal vigilance is still necessary and so is the NAD!

Speaking of time, Robert Ruark in his new book, "Something of Value" says: "The native African (Kikuya) doesn't understand tomorrow and he forgets yesterday because he has no sense of time. It means absolutely nothing to him. You'll see a bloke curled up on a road, waiting for a bus that isn't due for half a week!" You and I wouldn't want to be him. To us, time is too precious. It's a far cry from those days when we relied on assorted gimmicks to wake us up on time, mornings. Experimenting with all sorts of contraptions, I finally chose the new Electric Vibrator which is plugged into the back of G.E. or Telechron switch clocks. At the desired time, you're gently "vibrated" and - lo - you arise and shine! This is being distributed by the debonair Yorker, Ben Friedwald, and works fine. Here, at last, is "something of value."

A certain wit defined education in this way: "Education is that which remains if one has forgotten everything he learned in school."







BABIES

The stork decided to spend the winter in Los Angeles, California, this past year, and as a result, Los Angeles and surrounding vicinity welcomed more new babies than probably any other center of deaf population. On August 25 he visited the home of Mr. and Mrs. John Carlin and left Cheryl Diane with them. He was so pleased at the reception tendered young Cheryl, he called in extra help and soon the sun was darkened by their flitting about the southern California territory, and the denizens were awakened frequently by the flapping of wings. Six girls and three boys were deposited with happy young folks in the area by February 6, before the storks flew off to other scenes.

Reading counter-clockwise around the page, beginning at the upper left corner, the Los Angeles babies are:

Cheryl Diane Carlin, daughter of John E. and Diane Carlin, born August 25, 1954.

Katherine Yee Skinner, daughter of Robert and Lillian Skinner, born September 31, 1954.

William Lee Slemmons, son of Mr. and Mrs. Harry Slemmons, born October 13, 1954.

Michael Lee Porter, son of Mr. and Mrs. Billy D. Porter, born October 27, 1954.

Warner Leland Newman, son of Larry and Betty Newman, born October 31, 1954.

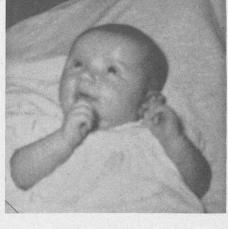
Teresa Marie Marchione, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Connie Marchione, born December 8, 1954.

Joy Ann Nuernberger, daughter of Donald and Eleanor Nuernberger, born December 8, 1954.

Deborah Delight Elliott, daughter of Tom and Becky Elliott, born December 21, 1954.

Debra Nora Luna, daughter of Frank and Patricia Luna, born February 6, 1955.











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The Diamond Jubilee Convention of the N.A.D. . . . In Pictures

It will be a long time before the complete story of the Diamond Jubilee convention of the National Association of the Deaf is told, and due to the great diversity of the program and the innumerable activities and accomplishments, it is probable that notes on things which took place at the convention will be appearing in this publication for some time to come. This month we had a number of pictures which we had been unable to use with the report last month, so they are published herewith, to give you a "picture-story" of the convention.

The resolutions adopted at the convention appear elsewhere in this issue. They have been widely commended as an unusually excellent set of resolutions. Next month we shall have an account of the softball tournament and some more convention "highlights."



Above are the members of the Cincinnati Local Committee, who worked and slaved for three long years to make this one of the greatest of N.A.D. conventions, and who deserve the thanks of all who attended. Top row, left to right: Clarence Bender, William Busby, James Frazer, Robert Hulley, William Goodpastor, Gus Straus, Frank Kiefer. Second row: Rosemary McHugh, Mary Bender, Ann Benedict, Elizabeth Bacheberle, Helen Healey, Flora Crews. Front row: Pearl Daulton, Hilbert Duning, LeRoy Duning, Raymond Grayson, Bessie Kiefer. LeRoy Duning, general chairman, is shown again in the cut at the top.

Miss Bessie McGregor, daughter of the first president of the N.A.D., the late Robert P. McGregor, chats with President B. B. Burnes. Miss McGregor gave the N.A.D. a huge silver cup which had been presented to her father in recognition of his work for the deaf during his administration. It is now on display in the N.A.D. Home Office. Another memorial exhibit in the N.A.D. office is a bronze plaque presented by the Cincinnati Local Committee in memory of Mr. McGregor and the other first officers of the N.A.D.





Miss Rose Marie Clipp of New Albany, Indiana, winner of the beauty contest staged at the picnic on July 4 at Martz Playground, across the river in Kentucky. This picture, an Associated Press photo, appeared in many newspapers throughout the United States.





Above, left, contestants for the beauty crown stand by as William Busby of the Local Committee presents the trophy to the winner. To the right of Miss Clipp is Mrs. Isabella King, of Lexington, Kentucky, runner-up. Right: These beauties were also-rans in the beauty contest, although they still think they were deprived of the prize by skullduggery on the part of the judges, who were three strangers selected by the Local Committee and probably unappreciative of beauty not incased in Jantzen knitwork. Left to right: G. G. Kannapell, R. M. Greenmun, D. Peikoff, and B. B. Burnes, all officers of the N.A.D. They had the last laugh, however, later in the convention, when all were commissioned Kentucky Colonels.



Left, Queen of the N.A.D., Mrs. Oliver G. Thomas of Baton Rouge, Louisiana, shown here with her husband. Unknown to the hundreds of members present, the committee spent most of the week shadowing a number of charming ladies and finally settled on Mrs. Thomas as the one with the grace, poise, and charming personality befitting the N.A.D. Queen. To her complete surprise, she was introduced to the crowd at Castle Farm night club on Friday and presented with a silver cup. She also received a bejewelled tiara and a bouquet as gifts from the Local Committee. Right, Miss Pearl Daulton, one of the hardest working members of the Local Committee. In charge of registration, she was on hand early and late, and she devised one of the most efficient registration systems yet seen at a convention.



Below, left, Mrs. Charline Lynch of Jeffersonville, Indiana, and Col. G. Gordon Kannapell win the jitterbug contest, one of a number of dance contests held at Castle Farm. Mrs. Elizabeth Bacheberle, who was in charge of the night club entertainment, hands them their cash award. Right, Ray Stallo, California Association delegate, arrived with his famous beard. It was a thing of beauty at first but as the convention wore on it degenerated into a bedraggled affair, due to Ray's generosity in permitting the pretty girls to stroke his beard—for a fee. He donated the fees to the N.A.D., and has spent considerable time since in beauty parlors having the beard restored to its original state of attractiveness so it will be ready for more stroking at the St. Louis convention in 1957. Here Ray is being greeted by President Burnes at the left, Secretary Greenmun, and Local Chairman LeRoy Duning.





Schools for the Deaf

R. K. Holcomb

The Montana School for Deaf and Blind

By Mervin D. Garretson

Editor Moves

Roy K. Holcomb, associate editor in charge of this series on Schools for the Deaf, has accepted a position as teacher in the Tennessee School for the Deaf, Knoxville, Tennessee, where he may be con-

tacted hereafter.

Mr. Holcomb and his wife were connected with the South Dakota School the past eight years. During their stay in South Dakota they were very active among the deaf as well as in affairs at the school. They were leaders in the Sioux Falls "Chat and Nibble" Club, and Mr. Holcomb was one of the key men on the Sioux Falls AAAD basketball team. They will be missed among the South Dakota Deaf, but they have the best wishes of all for happiness and success in Tennessee.

COLORADO is high, having more peaks within its borders than any other state. Wyoming is wide, with the breadth of the plains between the Big Horns and the Grand Tetons. California is handsome, with a splendor of success. It takes all three adjectives to describe Montana." So wrote Donald Culross Peattie in *The Road of a Naturalist*. Such is the grandeur and breadth of the Treasure State, where, in forced con-

trast, we find one of the country's smallest schools for the deaf and blind.

Four years after Montana became a state, in 1893, a school for the deaf, blind and mentally deficient was established at Boulder, a little hamlet in mountainous country some 30 miles from Helena. It is interesting to observe just what kind of an era Montana was going through when this first step was made in the education of the deaf in this wild, lonely, desolate part of America.

The state was young and wild and being exploited by powerful, moneyrich tycoons who enjoyed playing political football with the newly admitted state of Montana. They would pay as much as \$1,000 for a single vote, and once bought an election for \$2,500,000. It is a wonder they had time to pass a bill dealing with such a minority group as the deaf, blind and mentally retarded

In 1893, when the nucleus of the present school had its start, there were 2,225,000 sheep in Montana and a mere fraction of that in people. The sheepmen and cattlemen were by this time learning to be more civilized and more subtle about their big range wars. Men were making a living shipping buffalo bones at \$5 a ton, often filling a 12-ton railway car on the Great Northern. Farming possibilities were just being discovered and tentatively tried out.

Glenn I. Harris, president of the Montana School for the Deaf and Blind, received his undergraduate college degree from the University of California and did his graduate work in the normal department at Gallaudet College, receiving his Master of Arts in 1927. It was while a student at the University of California in Berkeley that Mr. Harris got a part time job as boys supervisor at the California School for the Deaf, and became interested in the field. Mr. Harris taught at the Colorado School for the Deaf in Colorado Springs, then became head teacher. In 1944, he came to Montana as president, where he is now rounding out his 10th year. Mr. Harris, a Rotarian, is active in the Methodist Church in Great Falls, and skillful in the sign language to the point of pantomime. Many will remember his interpretations at various teachers' conventions, especially his rendition of Negro minstrels at the Fulton, Missouri, convention in 1951. Mrs. Harris also taught at the Colorado School, and is active in social, parliamentary and church circles in Great Falls.

Plummer and the other great gunslicks of the era had exited, with a noose around their necks, to Boothill in the vicinity of Virginia City. Gold and copper were pouring money into the pockets of the selected few, and Butte (36 miles from Boulder) had emerged as "the richest hill on earth."

Life was yet in the stage of frontier rawness and people were frank and blunt in their opinions. Education was no exception, as is evidenced in a paragraph from *The Meagher County News*

of January, 1891:

It was reported here this week that a woman named Mrs. Scott horse-whipped Mrs. Belle Blazer, the school-teacher in Castle, and was fined \$5. The story is that Mrs. Blazer punished Mrs. Scott's boy for misconduct at school at which the mother got offended and waylaid the teacher on the street and horsewhipped her. Mrs. Blazer is one of the best teachers of the country and at one time

Front entrance of the long, one-building Montana School for Deaf and Blind.







Left, Old-timer Clarence Altop shows a student how to "fix" a western-style leather purse. Right, the school printing office. Many of the graduates of the Montana School are now successful printers. Instructor Darwin Younggren in left foreground.

held the responsible position of superintendent of schools, and it is a shame to Castle to have such an occurrence happen. The boy is said to be a worthless youth and was undoubtedly deserving the punishment.

We note that some 20 years from this date, in 1910, Superintendent Milligan of the Montana School wrote in his annual report regarding the undesirability of corporal punishment as a means of discipline:

"Still we would not recommend the complete abolition of corporal punishment. When a boy cuts his initials on a mahogany piano we know of no more fitting punishment than a good warming with a razor strop."

Incidentally, the present superintendent of the Wisconsin School at Delavan, William Milligan, is the grandson of this stern old Montanan of another age! We might assure friends at this juncture that Montana is now thoroughly civilized, and corporal punishment is strictly taboo in the present school. In this small school, discipline is something that has yet to rear its "problematical head."

So it was under such an historical outlay of uncertainty and wildness that the "Montana Asylum for the Deaf, Dumb, Blind and Feebleminded" formally opened September 1, 1893, with 4 deaf, 4 blind and 2 mentally deficient children. In 1894 J. A. Tillinghast was chosen as the first superintendent. The

State of Montana had granted the institution 50,000 acres of public lands to be used, sold or leased for revenue. In 1895, the institution was placed under the supervision of the State Board of Education, where it has remained continuously for 60 years.

The year 1896 saw Mr. Tillinghast leave to accept a position in Belfast, Ireland, and his brother, E. S. Tillinghast, took over the reins of the struggling institution. A member of this old family is now superintendent of the Arizona School for the Deaf at Tucson—Edward W. Tillinghast.

As is true today, the Montana winters in those days were invariably going to extremes - sometimes becoming surprisingly warm and balmy - but more generally, on the below zero side. In 1898, in the midst of a bitter winter storm, the hot air heating plant at the Boulder institution failed. Outside, the winds were howling through a raging 40-below storm, and inside the dormitories themselves it was bitter-cold, with room temperatures below zero. Three schoolrooms which were a bit warmer than the dormitory were used as sleeping rooms with the children bundled close together for warmth. Other measures for keeping the kids from freezing were tried with only the barest success, but they managed to buck the cold wave without suspending school. The following summer a new steam heating plant was installed, and the children were able to hibernate like civilized Montanans the following winter.

In 1900, Thomas S. McAloney became superintendent at the bountiful salary of \$1,200 a year. At this time the printing instructor received \$35 a month; the teachers between \$25 and \$45, and the head teacher received \$80. In his inauguration speech, Dr. McAloney had this to say about methods of instructing the deaf:

"A violent controversy has been going on for more than a hundred years on the best method of teaching the deaf, the manual method vs. the oral or German method."

He went on to state that the German method had proved its superiority back in 1750, and that 60 per cent of the Montana students in 1900 were taught solely by the oral method. Today the educational principles in the modern Montana school in Great Falls remain basically similar: The oral method, tempered with the simultaneous method, where speech, finger spelling and the language of signs are all used for maximum progress in the advanced department.

In 1901, a separate building was constructed for the mentally deficient, but the school was still on the same grounds. The portion for the deaf became "The Deaf and Dumb Asylum," then in 1901, the name was again changed, this time to "The Montana School for the Deaf and Blind." The first deaf graduate

Left, the cooking lab; dining area not shown. Right, a view of the domestic arts room (dressmaking department).









Left, a classroom at the Montana School. Louree Davis in background. This is the 9th grade group. Right, the small faculty of the school. Rear row: Mrs. Irene Lynch, Martin Eriksen, Ruby Eriksen, James R. MacPherson, Darwin Younggren, Clarence Altop, Mrs. Velma Christensen, Raymond Kolander. Front row: Ada Rankin, Mrs. Irene MacPherson, Carol Golden, Mervin D. Garretson, Louree Davis, Sally Round, Ethel Sovereign, secretary and bookkeeper.

from the school was Lena Ethel Flescher, class of 1901, who also passed the Gallaudet College entrance examinations. Mrs. Edith Cross was graduated in 1903, and still visits the school occasionally as the oldest living graduate.

In 1905, Miss Sadie Lillard joined the Boulder faculty from the Florida School, and remained until 1948, when she retired, but continued in a relief capacity until 1950. Other long-time teachers included Mr. and Mrs. Fred J. Low and Mr. Clarence Altop, the latter who still continues his long service as instructor in leathercraft at the Great Falls school. Mr. Low, who passed away in 1954, was instructor of woodworking and dean of boys from 1907 until 1951, and left his mark on countless boys who profited by his high ideals of living and workmanship. Mrs. Ivy Low served as housemother to the junior boys for many long years, and now resides in Salt Lake City, Utah.

In delving back through dusty old records, we note that in 1905 uniforms were required of all boys — grayish blue, indigo-dyed coat, trousers and caps, all wool. There is no record as to when this was discontinued.

McAloney resigned in 1906 to take over the superintendency of the Western Pennsylvania School, and was succeeded by L. E. Milligan from the Colorado School. At this time there were 45 deaf students, 18 blind and 35 feebleminded. Textbooks used in the department for the deaf were Cyr's Readers, Miss Sweet's Language, Montgomery's History and Frye's Geography. The arithmetic text was, of course, the popular Prince's Arithmetic.

By 1910, the number of mentally retarded students had soared past both the deaf and blind, to 77 as compared to 55 deaf and 32 blind — a trend that was to continue. By 1922 the number of mentally deficient had again doubled to 148, as against 77 deaf and 34 blind. The alumni association of the deaf was beginning to formulate vague plans for a future separation of schools.

H. J. Menzemer became president of the Boulder institution in 1922, and was followed by Dr. Howard Griffin in 1928, the last Boulder head of the deaf and blind in Montana. Griffin was receiving a salary of \$2,000 in 1928, the pre-depression year.

The year 1935 saw the number of feebleminded at the state institution soar way up to 435, while there were only 91 deaf and 21 blind students. Since the school obviously had to be built around the mentally retarded because of their large number, the adult deaf of the state felt it was time to push forward in all earnestness their previous-

ly futile attempts for a separation of schools. Spearheaded by Archie R. Randles of Missoula, the Montana Association of the Deaf finally got legislation passed which provided for a separate school for the deaf and blind. Great Falls was chosen as the site of the new school.

The new era of the Montana School for the Deaf and Blind commenced October, 1937, with Edwin G. Peterson as president of the new institution. The Great Falls school is a long, one-building affair of three stories, with the boys' dormitory on the third floor of one wing and the girls' living quarters on the other wing. In between is the dispensary and hospital, as well as the nurse's quarters. All of the dormitory rooms are gaily and brightly painted, with a superabundance of colorful drapes and the like — an innovation made by the present superintendent, Glenn I. Harris.

On the second, or main floor, of the rambling building is the president's office and the business office, with the matron's apartment just across the hall. Then there is the gymnasium-chapel combination, classrooms for both departments of the deaf and blind, the music room, and the libraries for both groups. It may seem sort of crowded to the uninitiated, but actually, the space

Left, the school basketball team. Coach Newton Shular kneeling. Right, a class in square dancing for both deaf and blind meets every Thursday night. Caller is Rol Lapse from the city recreation department. Near stage is James R. MacPherson, graduate of the Gallaudet normal training department and head teacher of department for blind.





is well utilized and the building is really fairly large.

On the ground floor are the shops, the dining rooms, kitchen, laundry, playrooms, and apartments for the staff who reside in the school. Vocational shops include a shoe repair-leatherworking shop, printing office, woodworking shop, and the cooking and sewing rooms. The cooking lab was remodeled several years ago, and is a modern, up-to-date kitchen-dinette combination with a curving service bar separating the dining part.

The department for the deaf usually has 9 full-time academic teachers, including the head teacher, and four vocational instructors. Occasionally, when we have more of an enrollment in some years, it is necessary to hire extra teach-



Mervin D. Garretson, head teacher of the Department for the Deaf, became deaf from spinal meningitis at the age of five, attended the Colorado School for the Deaf, Gallaudet College, and the University of Wyoming. Taught at the Maryland School before coming to Montana in 1949.

ers. A new vocational building is being constructed at the present time, and a new boiler building was erected several years ago, so the school is slowly but surely expanding its compact one-building "efficiency laboratory" into a more spaceful and extended campus.

In 1944, Glenn I. Harris from the Colorado School succeeded Edwin G. Peterson as president of the school. It was during the tenure of the present administration that a new superintendent's residence was added across from the main building, as well as the boiler building and vocational building. In addition, two modern 2-bedroom cottages have appeared on the campus, which are rented to the teachers.

These attractive cottages were made possible by the bequest of Ferdinand J.

Weyer, a rancher who willed his property to the boys and girls of the Montana School. The rental money collected from these cottages is used exclusively for the benefit and pleasure of the children. Another fund available for the children's use is the "Shep" fund, consisting of royalties collected from sale of a booklet published about a Fort Benton, Montana, dog named Shep. These two funds make for more equalization of fun among all the children, help out with the expenses of the underprivileged, and often serve to finance spring trips or occasional treats for the kids.

Basketball is the major sport in the Montana School and the boys have fielded some excellent teams, considering the number available for play. They also play a wicked game of volley ball, as the members of the faculty and the adult deaf in town are well aware! The girls play volley ball, too, and softball in the spring.

The prevailing philosophy in the school, as stressed by Supt. Harris, is de-institutionalization. Informality is encouraged, and the color scheme, drapes, outdoor play-houses and all stress a homelike atmosphere. The girls have their Sub-Deb Club, where they go on outings, slumber parties, rollerskating affairs, camp-outs, or just Friday night movies and ball games. The boys have a similar set-up, including their own clubhouse, but their specialty is the three camping trips they usually take each year. Especially looked forward to is their annual winter camp, a genuine Montana affair. Usually the snow is four feet deep all around the cabin, and the school toboggans come in for heavy use.

The small enrollment of the school permits a flexible course of study, so that where there is a better than average class of children, the tempo is stepped up to the extent that they almost match the curriculum in the public schools. The Metropolitan Achievement Tests are given every February and the Stanford Achievement Tests are given in May. Steady gains in academic achievement have been registered, and new textbooks are added almost yearly. This year we have a junior class that has covered Plane Geometry and elements of Trigonometry. That is, of course, the exception rather than the rule, as most classes are average and show at least a two-year retardation as compared to the public school standards.

This brings the history of the Montana School for the Deaf and Blind from 1893 up to the present — only 62 years, a young school in a young state. If as one of the smallest schools in the nation we can match our attainments with the bigness of Montana, we will feel a sense of accomplishment.



Raney Heads Kiwanians

Jackson A. Raney, superintendent of the Indiana School for the Deaf, Indianapolis, and well known through the deaf world, was elected president of Kiwanis International at its convention in Cleveland, Ohio, in June. Dr. Raney has been superintendent of the Indiana School since 1935, and he has been active in the Indianapolis Kiwanis Club for 19 years.

In an editorial entitled, "Our Number One Kiwanian," published in the Indiapanolis Time, the following tribute is paid to Dr. Raney:

"He is a Hoosier from the heels up. He calls himself 'the hillbilly from Ripley County.' And he is a man with a divided heart.

"Half of it belongs to the Indiana State School for the Deaf which he has served as superintendent for 20 years. The other half, as you may justly suspect, belongs to Kiwanis and the glowing principles for which it stands.

"A former school teacher, he chose Kiwanis as an extra outlet for his insatiable urge toward human service. And he has become, after years of devotion to the code of Kiwanis, the leader of 241,000 members in the United States, Canada, Alaska, and Hawaii.

"As president, he will carry the human warmth of Indiana, with 8000 members in 110 clubs, into every state and territory, and the friendly dominion to the north . . .

"It is not easy to climb to the summit of Kiwanis. The higher you go, the harder it is, from President of the Downtown Kiwanis Club of Indianapolis through the trusteeships of the international and the vice presidency, to the very top.

"It takes courage. It takes staying power. And above all, a genuine love of mankind. And Jack Raney has all these, with power to spare."

The Educational Front and Parents' Department

By W. T. Griffing, Editor

Well, we did see you at Cincinnati, or was it that you saw us? The folks up there were swell. We were very much impressed by the spirit and the unity of purpose that characterized the convention from beginning to end.



W. T. GRIFFING

We are now completely sold on the N. A. D. Henceforward, we are going to be a danged sight better member. What about you? Now, if each one of the 2,000 who were there will improve as much as 10% in

membership activity, the NAD will well be on its way toward becoming a powerful machine, dedicated to the welfare of the deaf everywhere.

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So many things happened up Cincy way that possibly we will be on the job a year without getting everything down for history, or should we say posterity?

St. Louis in 1957!

Dr. Elwood Stevenson, that fine friend of the deaf who heads the hustling Berkeley school in the Golden Bear state, was on hand with his Missus, as charming a first lady as ever there was. Doc had us over a barrel in nothing flat, applying a paddle to our rear posterior trying hard to make us all holler "Uncle"!

His speech, a fighting one, a challenging one, whacked us on our favorite corn, then stomped on our instep, then smashed down on our inactive bunion. He had us on the ropes because we did not have a defense to stand on. Doc when he saw us staggering around asked if we were ready to say "Uncle," whereupon all of us, to a man, arose to yell "Aunt!" so he was at it again just as we wanted him to. We deserved catching lleh for heing asleep at the switch so long.

You will read his speech in the WORKER. It alone was worth the long drive to Cincinnati. If you do not approve of it, then you are one of the very few who do not share the general feeling that the deaf had better get together now while the getting's good, else our snug little world is likely to fold on us before too many years sail by.

The Stevensons deserve the thanks of the deaf the world over. We are fortunate indeed to have such people on our team!

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We finally met, face to face, that Canadian ball of fire, David Peikoff. He had all of us standing up after a few minutes singing "God Save the

Queen" horribly off key, but singing just the same. That guy knows what he wants and we give you 10 to 1 that he gets it.

St. Louis in 1957!

Was it not swell of Dr. Harry Best to come up to tell us how much he thought of the deaf? It was. Here is another wonderful person who thinks we are the salt of the earth. We think it an excellent idea for us to roll up our sleeves, heave ourselves out of our favorite chair, and go to work for the NAD.

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That beauty contest was nice, although our favorite, that tall well-stacked blond in that tight fitting brown suit, lost out. Looking at the judges, we could easily understand why they were mice, not men. We guess that 36-24-36 can win in any league.

St. Louis in 1957!

Being a doctor does not seem to have changed President BBB much. He can still windmill-sign in such a manner that you can understand him a mile off. Delighted we are he was reelected. Lots of us fellows of the lesser hustling type can sleep soundly now because we know even if we do encourage warts on our behind by indulging in siestas, BBB will be in there holding the fort.

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Another of our favorite people we got to see at close range was that wonderful young man, Colonel George McClure of Kentucky. We have admired him ever since we were knee-high to a grasshopper and now that we have actually rubbed elbows with him, we appreciate and respect him all the more.

St. Louis in 1957!

That Kenner guy is one of the finest sports we know of. He has worked like a horse, no, like a hundred horses, for the NAD and the deaf all these years. A non-Gallaudet man, he attended the Gallaudet luncheon and sang "Fair Halls of Gallaudet" better than many of us who eked out degrees. When he was retired from the Executive Board of the NAD, he said. "I'm an NAD born and an NAD bred, and when I die I'll be an NAD dead!" Our hat is off to him

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We had our first taste of horse racing and we simply could not pick them on the nose. Looks like horses and bathing beauties are not in our line. Possibly, it is just as well. As we looked over the folks on their feet, shouting and yelling for their favorite nag to come home to momma, we thought we were at another college foootball game at which a 65-

yard pass was being carried to a touch-

St. Louis in 1957!

Isn't it simply wonderful that Dr. J. A. Raney, superintendent of the Indiana School for the Deaf, was named president of the Kiwanis International at the organization's 40th annual convention in Cleveland? Here is another fine friend of the deaf, and now he is in an excellent position to help us through his powerful organization.

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The conventioneers took over the Sheraton-Gibson without firing a single

shot. At times the lobby was so packed with us that the bellhops needed seeingeye dogs to help them find their way to the desk. Those elevator gals went up and down the clock around. The Mill had to turn faster than it ever did in its life in order that none of us would

drop dead from hunger.

On one occasion, in the lobby of the hotel, when we were getting elbows in the stomach, ribs, and back and when we were jabbing back for the fun of it, we observed one dowager (not deaf) get bumped into the rear end, rather unceremoniously. She looked so horrified that for an instant her diamonds actually stopped glittering. She tried to say something to the fellow who did the Bumpsa Daisy but he was so taken over by a sweet young thing that he would not have stopped to say hello to Ike, had he been there. We are just wondering what her psychiatrist told her to do.

St. Louis in 1957!

That Mrs. Rene Epding is all right! Her sign talk, although given in a trembling way, went over big with the deaf who delight to see a hearing person sign. Did you, like us, wonder what kept that big bun of hair in place?

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We are as proud as punch of that letter from President Eisenhower in which he expressed his admiration and appreciation of the deaf as citizens.

St. Louis in 1957!

Say, time is running out on us and we haven't even scratched the surface yet. We will have to talk it over with you again when we can get that brownsuited blond out of our system. We haven't told you of some of the fine jokes we picked up although it is doubtful if most of them could appear in these high-class pages. Should we ever meet in a dimly-lit hall, remind us and we will spill some to have you in stitches. We just hope Dewey Coats does not put a few of his in the new jacked-up constitution-to-be!

We did have fun. We did enjoy meeting you. Thanks to the hard working committee who so ably arranged for the convention, thanks to everyone of you. Oh, yes, thanks for going this far with



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DEADLINE FOR NEWS IS THE 20TH OF EACH MONTH.

KANSAS . . .

Mr. and Mrs. C. L. Nanney, Newton, had a wonderful time with their daughter and fam-ily at Albuquerque, N. M., early in June. They also visited with their grandson and his wife at El Paso, Texas, who showed them around the city. They went to Old Mexico where they enjoyed so much seeing the different old town of Juarez.

During May, Beene Watkins, Witchita, with the Boeing work crew at Wichita, was given a two-weeks assignment at Columbus, Ohio. His family visited with his parents at Hamon, Okla., while he was in Ohio.

June weddings which took place were: Paul Werner and Carolina McCullough, June 4 in Werner and Carolina McCullough, June 4 in Topeka; Harold Maisch, Wichita, and Betty Brant, Winfield, married by Rev. Dr. E. L. Folfram at the pastor's home on June 23, and now living in Wichita; Charlotte Tobaich of Willis and Carrol Banks of Olathe at the Brotherhood Presbyterian Church in Olathe on June 25. The Banks are living in Olathe where he is with the Olathe Democrat.

Archie Grier, Wichita, underwent surgery for a hernia at St. Francis Hospital June 23,

and is now recuperating at home.

Mr. and Mrs. William Marra of Olathe were pleased when their order from the stork was filled on June 22, a baby girl whom they have

mamed Edith Rene.

Mr. and Mrs. John Mog of Wilson had the misfortune of having their farm flooded by a flash flood recently. The water came up to the porch and they had to spend the night

Churches

THE SILENT WORKER regrets that there is no Church department in this issue, and that it has not appeared regularly in recent issues. Mr. Lauritsen, who has edited the Church department so ably and efficiently for several years, has found it necessary to resign, due to the pressure of many other duties, and we are making new plans for the Church department which we hope will assure its regular appearance, beginning as soon as possible.

In the meantime, THE SILENT Worker will be very glad to receive voluntary contributions from church workers, ministers, and any others interested. We are especially eager to receive news of church activities and

photographs.

with friends on higher land. They lost a twoday-old calf, 20 chickens, and the freshly threshed wheat stored in a silo. The fences

were knocked down.
Mr. and Mrs. George Harms, Wichita, have redecorated their house. Otis Koehn, Wichita, made good use of his one-week vacation by building a breezeway between his house and

the garage.

Mr. and Mrs. Victor Hottle, Mulvane, spent many weeks remodeling their house. The fammany weeks remodeling their house. The family has grown so that they needed more room. Mr. and Mrs. Donald Funke, Wichita, visited her folks at Booneville, Ark., during the Fourth holidays. Mr. and Mrs. Archie Grier, Wichita, recently visited the John O'Connors at Frankfort. They also visited the Alvin O'Connors and family at Blaine and Mr. and Mrs. Walter Kinter and family also of Blaine.

Kistler and family, also of Blaine.

Mr. and Mrs. Uel Hurd and children of Kansas City, Kansas, visited her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Andrews of Russell Springs, Kansas, the third week of June. Mrs. Hurd and children remained for a longer visit while Hurd attended the convention American Instructors of the Deaf at Hartford, Conn., the last week of June. Mr. Hurd returned to Russell Springs and brought his family to Wichita where they visited her sister and family Mr. and Mrs. K-it. H.

and family, Mr. and Mrs. Keith Hagins.
Mrs. Melina Cody, nee Wagner, of Kansas
City, Kan., is staying with Mr. and Mrs. Henry
Stucky of Murdock for several weeks. Miss
Adelia Hill, of Wichita, enjoyed her two-weeks vacation with her sister and husband, Mr. and Mrs. William Hagan, of Tulsa, Okla. Adelia made the round trip by air.

George Ruby, of Burdette, was transferred to the St. Francis Hospital in Wichita from the Larned Hospital. He figured in an automobile accident on June 7 near Larned, suffering the state of the state

ing from a dislocated pelvis. His mother was released from the hospital and is getting

along well at home.

Mr. and Mrs. Raymond Whitlock and family of Stafford were at Estes Park, Colorado, visiting his cousin during the Fourth of July holidays. They were very impressed by the beautiful scenery and waterfalls along the 20-mile route up the mountains. They saw plentiful trout catches by fishermen. It was 55 degrees at the top of the mountain, and they were thrilled to see deep snow there. Kansas does not have such depth of snow any more.

Mrs. Francis Srack was the most surprised person when she came in the door of the George Harms home the evening of July 8, when the lights were turned on and the faces of about 20 ladies beamed wide and wished her birthday greetings. The surprise was planned by Mrs. George Harms, Mrs. Bill Lichtenberger and Rae Field. She received nice gifts, among which was a coffee carafe, which is a luxury to have.

Mr. and Mrs. Godfrey Adams, Santa Fe, N. M., were in Wichita visiting the Archie Griers several days in July. They attended the Srack birthday party. They went on to Blackwell, Okla., to visit his parents. Mr. Adams is supervisor of the dairy and Mrs. Adams is a dietitian at the New Mexico School for the Deaf in Santa Fa Deaf in Santa Fe.

Mrs. Lawrence McGlynn and Lois McGlynn. both of Hutchinson, held a stork shower in their home for Mrs. Louis Martin on July 10. Appropriate games were played, after which the guest of honor opened the packages which

revealed many nice gifts for her baby yet to come. The hot weather was tolerated by all present with the help of an air conditioner.

Mr. and Mrs. William Cervantees of Chicago

dropped in unexpectedly on Mr. and Mrs. Carl Rose, Wichita, July 9, while on their two-weeks

The Kansans who attended the diamond jubilee convention of the NAD at Cincinnati, Ohio, July 2-9 were Mr. and Mrs. Edward Foltz of Neal, Frank Doctor of Olathe, and Harold Kistler of Overland Park. Mr. Foltz represented the Kansas Association of the Deaf.

The Wichita Sewing Ladies hosted an all-day picnic at Park Villa July 10. Out of town day picnic at Park Villa July 10. Out of town visitors were Mr. and Mrs. Cyrus Thompson, Mr. and Mrs. Edward Eilts, all of Winfield; Mr. and Mrs. Henry Stucky and Mrs. Melina Cody, all of Murdock; the Carl Munz family of Macksville; Mr. and Mrs. Godfrey Adams, Santa Fe, N. M.; Mr. and Mrs. Roy Dillman and Frank Lehr, all of Newton.

Mr. and Mrs. Roy Dillman, Newton, brought their infant daughter to the Wichita picnic. A correction is in order—two months ago the birth of a boy was announced to the Dillmans. failed to state which sex the baby was, and the name Tracy Kim was given, making the writer presume it was a boy. Was much surprised to learn that a girl could claim that name, too. The Dillmans ahve five girls and no

Plans to be undertaken in the near future at the Kansas School will be the remodeling of the hospital at the cost of \$61,955. This building, although not in bad shape, has for years needed some changes in size and equipment. The recreation hall building will be torn down and a new one will be erected on another site. The cost will be \$105,000.

Our Kansas Gallaudet student, Ruth Ann Baird of Overland Park, is working as a draftsman in New York; and Suzanne Mog, another one, of Wilson, is at a New Jersey resort during the summer.

The water crisis has ended at Olathe, Kansas. Lake Olathe, recently completed and not expected to be filled until mid-summer of 1956, lacks only about 1½ feet of pouring into the spillway. The city's old lake is running over and two small reservoirs inside the city are full.

NEW YORK . . .

The Hebrew Association for the Deaf and the Union League of the Deaf recently do-nated a sum of money to the Salk Fund. The fund is sponsored by the New York Daily Mirror as a tribute to Dr. Jonas E. Salk, the scientist who discovered the Salk vaccine for

Tom Gillen has joined the growing ranks of

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MARCUS L. KENNER, Agent NEW ENGLAND MUTUAL LIFE INSURANCE CO. 150 W. 22d St., N. Y. 11, N. Y. "do it yourself" addicts. He recently undertook the task of wallpapering his home and

everyone says he did one fine job.

Recent visitors in town were Leander Moore of the Tennessee School staff; and Ray Butler and Jerry Hassel of the Texas School faculty, all of whom were en route to the teachers

convention in Hartford, Conn.

Those who took in the NAD Convention at Cincinnati were Mr. and Mrs. A. Barr, Mr. and Mrs. L. Fischer, and Messrs. C. Good, C. Joselow, B. Friedwald, and Mr. and Mrs. M.

Kenner.

Mr. Taris Denis is continuing with his education, having taken up a course at the New York University. He hopes to earn his M.A. degree right soon and may then aim at a

doctorate.

Herbert Carroll has an interesting item to relate: On one of his frequent visits to his brother's house, his little niece was watching him converse in signs with his hearing brother. She asked her father as to why Uncle Herb talked with his hands and was told that Uncle Herb was unable to hear oral conversation. This seemed to satisfy her for she let out an audible, "Oh-h-h." A few days later she asked her father if her baby brother could hear and her father asked her why. Seems that the baby kept waving his hands around and the little girl took it for granted that the baby was using the sign language.

Mr. and Mrs. Phil Leeds and Mr. and Mrs. Abe Cohen are on the list of those expecting blessed events soon. Both couples have one daughter each so it would be nice if the

babies are boys.

The Abe Cohens have been staging almost weekly parties at their lovely home in West Hempstead, L.I., and all those fortunate people bidden to the gathering report an elegant time.

MISSOURI . . .

A recent Dramatics Night at the St. Louis Silent Club drew a goodly number of local residents despite a continuing heat wave. A series of skits, ably directed by Mrs. Peggy Roam, unveiled a number of budding Thes pians and all drew a big hand from the crowd.

Morris Campbell, tub thumper deluxe for St. Louis in a successful bid for the 1957 N.A.D. Convention, has been chosen general chairman of the local committee and will be ably assisted by Ralph Brewer who was named assistant general chairman. Both these transplanted Tennesseeans have the mind to direct and the hand to execute, and the spadework of committee selection has already begun, so look for things to start humming soon in St.

Friends of Rev. Silas J. Hirte, popular and highly regarded young Episcopal minister to the deaf in this area, will be glad to learn that after some five months confinement following a heart attack, his condition is slowly improving. Although further weakened by a subsequent hospitalization with pneumonia and pleurisy, he is presently resting well at his home in suburban Normandy and is looking forward to an eventual resumption of his

clerical duties.

Mrs. Hazel A. Steidman has returned from six weeks' vacation trip which involved a visit with her son in the wilds of Wisconsin, and visits with friends in Philadelphia, Boston, New York, and other eastern cities.

Mrs. Ed Carney and children have returned from a two-weeks' sojourn with relatives in Minnesota. They were accompanied by Mrs. Pearl Reineke, aunt of Mrs. Carney, who ex-

pects to remain for several weeks visit.

The bowling team sponsored by the St.

Louis Silent Club will conduct their annual bowling tournament on October 29. The annual Halloween party will be held in the club-rooms at 2839A Olive Street the same evening. Aside from the usual door and costume prizes, a highlight of the evening will be the selec-tion and crowning of a Popularity Queen.

For the past four months the stork has had all he can do to keep up with deliveries of local offspring. To date, there has been a preponderance of baby girls, but there will be plenty of chances within the next few months for the boys to catch up. The Ed Carneys have been blessed with another son, they previously having had two boys and a girl; new daughters now grace the homes of the Norman Hollrahs, who also have an older daughter, the James Alsips who are peacock-proud of this lovely first addition to the family, and the Ralph Brewers who previously boasted an only Latest newcomer at this writing is a husky son for the John Hindmans. Further, there are at least six other visits by the overworked bird scheduled within the next few months. This rash of babies has stirred up speculation as to whether this condition is "catching"!

VIRGINIA . . .

Charles B. Terry of New York has found employment at Lawson Printing Company, Staunton, Va. Mr. Terry has made many new friends in this city.

A Field Day was held at the Virginia School for the Deaf recently, and was sponsored by the Staunton Chapter of the Virginia Associ-ation for the Deaf. A large crowd attended

despite the rainy weather.

Mr. Ralph Kiser, head supervisor of the large deaf boys at the Virginia School for the Deaf, has a job with an auto firm as a body and fender man, for the summer months. He and his family are occupying their Darden Hall apartment.

Mr. and Mrs. Tom Sebrell, Mr. and Mrs. Frank Hutchinson, Mr. and Mrs. T. C. Lewellyn and the Fred Yates family are also residing on the campus at V.S.D., for the sum-

Jeffie Lawson, son of Mr. and Mrs. Jeff Lawson, Jr., Staunton, recently celebrated his fifth birthday anniversary. A party was given at the kindergarten.

Mr. and Mrs. Warren Chaplin, Toledo, Ohio, were in Staunton and vicinity while on vacation during July. They spent one week with Warren's mother and the remainder of their vacation touring up to Atlantic City, N. J.

Mrs. Evelyn Christian and son, Arlington, spent a week with her parents at Buena Vista

during July.

Mrs. Olin Creasy and daughter, Buena Vista, were two-weeks' guests at her home near Lawrenceville during July.

Most of you have probably heard of the death of one of Virginia's most liked persons, Rodney Bunn, Danville. Our sympathy to his wife, Alma, and to the family.

There were around 15 Virginians present at the NAD Convention in Cincinnati, Ohio, July 2-9. Charles Terry and Isadore Hurowitz were there to represent Staunton.

Rev. Steve Mathis has purchased a new Chrysler to make his traveling more comfortable. Rev. Mathis ministers to the Southwestern towns.

KENTUCKY . . .

The Home Fund Party held in April at the School for the Deaf in Danville was a most successful affair with the floor show most enjoyable. A group of players from Louisville were there to perform, and several pupils of The young daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Arnold Abercrombie, Lexington, Ky., won the admiration of all with ability as a ballet

Ernest Sherrow attended the Home Fund Party, bringing his fine boat, a Chris-Craft, with him. He went fishing that morning and declares that the boat is a regular fisherman's

Folks declare that Frank Baxter's new Dodge station-wagon is a knock-out. Frank is a traveling candy salesman, his father being in

the wholesale candy business, and does quite a lot of driving around the country.

Mrs. Sara Suttka came down to the party with her daughter and son-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. Lippert of Cincinnati. They visited at Sara's daughters in Danville and friends were so glad to see Sara, finding her well again and able to walk following almost a year of nursing a broken leg. Sara is nearing 80 but as alert and spry as ever.

Carolyn Marshall, daughter of Mr. and Mrs.

Alfred Marshall, Danville, will be among the students entering the preparatory class at Gallaudet this September. Carolyn, a brilliant student, passed the exams with flying colors and we are certain she will do well at college.

Misses Carrie Sue Procknow and Terrecita Lopez have forsaken their Cherokee Road apartment in favor of the local YWCA in Louisville. Reason for the move is that they found the upkeep of the apartment just too expensive.

Friends have learned of the death of Miss

Myrtle Lee Croucher, 48, last May at her parents' home near Richmond. Miss Croucher had been in ill health the past year.

Mrs. Truett George and Mrs. Oscar Wilder recently lost their mothers by death. Mrs. George's mother passed away at 88 and Mrs. Wilder's mother, age 84, suffered a fatal stroke.

Members and friends of Danville's Frat-Auxiliary enjoyed a picnic June 5 at Frankfort, Ky., under the chairmanship of Miss Mary Johnson and her committee made up of Mary Balasa, Edith Morrison and Lassie Maynard. Well over 200 were there to make merry that day and it was quite a reunion for many old friends, many of whom came from Louisville, Lexington and Ohio as well as other nearby

Carrie Sue Procknow continues to do her traveling by air. She recently boarded a plane for Memphis, Tenn., to visit her parents and brother and sister.

"Derby Day," sponsored by the Louisville Association of the Deaf at the Club last May, drew one of the largest crowds ever. Many came from Chicago and cities in Ohio. Among came from Chicago and cities in Ohio. Among the amusing skits enjoyed by the crowd was "Romance in the Park" by Mrs. Richard Hay, Mrs. Richard James, Mr. G. Kannapell, and Mrs. E. Morrison. Others who helped entertain were Mr. Simmons, Miss Carrie Sue Procknow, and Mrs. T, Taylor.

Mr. and Mrs. Al Love have moved to Louiswills from Chicago and they plan to build a new control of the control of

ville from Chicago and they plan to build a new home soon on a lot they have bought on the outskirts of town. Al is working as ad man

at the Courier-Journal.

Mr. and Mrs. Truett George have bought a home within the city limits of Louisville and sold the one just outside town. Reason was that they had to pay a tuition fee for their son's attending the local high school if they lived outside the city.

Vollie (Mrs. Richard) Hay entertained a group of ladies at a recent pinochle party and among those bidden were Mesdames Margie Hovious, Rose Mueller, Mary Walton, Lucille Bohnert, Katie Smith and Bertie Cundiff. Guest of the evening was Mrs. Lena Love. The Pinochle Club has held no further gatherings due to the hot weather but will resume in September.

Mrs. Alice Emory, an interpreter at the Fourth Street Baptist Church, flew to Houston, Tex., June 10 to take in the Southwest Conference as one of the delegates. Alice lost her hearing at the age of 15 and is adept at lipreading, which puts her in great demand as an interpreter.

A wedding of interest to all of us took place June 28 when Levitia McAvoy and Harry Corriel said "I do." Following the ceremony the couple motored down to Florida and then to the NAD Convention in Cincinnati. They are making their home in New Albany, Ind., just across the Ohio River from Louisville.

Mr. and Mrs. Harry Rudolph and children of Oklahoma City were house guests of Mr. and Mrs. Richard Hay and they were a happy bunch, truly, with Harry and Richard being buddies for more than thirty years. Their visit was filled with sight-seeing trips to famous places at Frankfort, Harrodsburg, Bardstown, and Lexington, and a trip to the Kentucky School, of which Richard is an alumni. Highlight was their visit to see Dr. George McClure, who at more than 90, is a most interesting personality, and stopping to see Mr. and Mrs. Alfred Marshall. After visiting the Mammoth Caves and spending a glorious week, the Rudolphs reluctantly departed for home in Oklahoma.

Mr. and Mrs. Richard James are owners of a new '55 Pontiac and recently motored down to Miami, Fla., to take in some fishing. James was so thrilled with his fish that he took numerous pictures and has been showing them around ever since. After all, it was his first fish, so no wonder he was thrilled.

Mr. G. Kannapell flew down to Baton Rouge to attend the Louisiana Association of the Deaf Convention and returned most enthused with

the outcome of the meet.

Al Love reported his car missing from the parking place near the Courier-Journal where he works. Some four hours later, police found it out in the country where it had been driven by a colored man who broke in the window of the car. There was not much damage done to the car and Al is fully covered with insurance, luckily.

Mr. and Mrs. J. Judge (nee Iva Taul) of Cincinnati visited Iva's deaf brother Gabriel Taul and other friends in Louisville during re-cent weeks; Thelma Curtis took advantage of her two weeks vacation to visit her good friend, Mrs. Lennie Kincaid (nee Lulu Carpenter), at Portsmouth, Ohio.

Among local people who attended the NAD Convention in Cincinnati earlier this month were Mr. and Mrs. G. Kannapell, Mr. and Mrs. Robert Kannapell and daughter Barbara, Mrs. Alice Embry, Miss Lillian Petty, Carrie Sue Procknow, Mrs. Frances Moore, Joe Mattingly, the James Morrisons and the Richard Hays. There were others, in fact quite a large crowd attended from our locality.

Mr. and Mrs. Billy Warren held a back-yard picnic at their home with guests bringing bas-kets of food with them. The day was spent mostly in just lying around sun-bathing and visiting, with camera fans having a field day posing everyone so as to get the most amus-ing snapshots ever snapped. (Why not send us some for publication in the Worker? We'd love 'em!—News Ed.)

The Fourth of July found Terrie Lopez visiting with Mr. and Mrs. Frank White (nee Lulu Lewis) and Mr. and Mrs. Jack Tyree (Rita Thompson) in Chattanooga, Tenn. Terrie came back telling all of us about the lovely new homes owned by the Whites and the Tyrees and inspecting them added much to the enjoyment of her visit, we imagine!

Folks down south in Alabam' will remember Mr. and Mrs. Latham B. Warren. Ben graduated from the Alabama School back in 1924 and finished Gallaudet in '29. He came to Louisville in 1943 and married Myra Cornelius in '45. He is working now as a linotype operator and Myra is employed at Belknap operator. Ben who wend to be cornelius in '45. Hardware. Ben, who used to be something of a steeple-jack, tells us that such stunts are long-gone because Myra heartily disapproves. Much safer pounding a keyboard.

We forgot to tell you readers that during the Harry Rudolph's visit with Vollie and Dick Hay, the four of them paid a special visit to Mr. and Mrs. J. Hawkins. Mrs. Hawkins (nee Clara Seal) and Harry were classmates at the Texas School back in '26 and were so happy to see each other after a lapse of almost 30 years. of almost 30 years.

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The Silent Printer

By Ray F. Stallo 969 F Street, Apt. 4 San Bernardino, Calif.



Here are a few great moments in printing

The first book printed in color was produced by Johann Fust and Peter Schoffler in 1459. It also was the first on which appeared the printer's name, the date and place of publication.

The earliest wood engraving that has been preserved depicts St. Christopher carrying the infant Jesus over the sea and was made in the year 1423. The men who really brought the art to a practical use were Albrecht Durer, Hans Holbein, and Lucas Van Leyden.

In the 1500's, the British government did its bit to keep idle London printers from printing unlawful books and pamphlets. It granted them constant employment turning out Bibles, prayer books, law books, grammars and other approved literature.

Electrotyping was invented by an American. The first electrotype to be used in a publication was made in 1841 by Joseph A. Adams, a wood engraver in the employ of Harper and Bros.

Nicolas Jensen's Roman letter type face has been studied and imitated more than any other. The 15th century engraver selected his alphabet from early Italian manuscripts, basing it upon the Carolingian forms. For capitals he used as models the beautiful Roman letters which were found on engraved coins and objects of art. There is present in all of his type the feeling of the hand-drawn letter made with a quill or reed pen; and each letter, while an entity in itself, flows into the next so that words and lines become complete units in themselves.

Blotting paper was discovered by accident in a Berkshire, England paper mill. A worker forgot to add sizing to the mix when mixing up a batch of pulp for the production of ordinary writing paper. The desperate mill owner came up with the ingenuous idea of using this paper to dry the ink used on stationery of the time. He sold the whole batch for blotters.

Here's the latest installment of the National Amalgamated Directory of Silent Printers.

Durward C. Young, Linotype Operator, Star & Alliance Publishing Co., Grandville, Michigan. Brother Young attended the Michigan School for the Deaf and is currently President of the Michigan Association of the Deaf. We had the pleasure of making the

acquaintance of Brother Young at the recent NAD Convention in Cincinnati. We found him to be a quite personable young man sporting a moustache but no beard as yet.

Eric Malzkuhn, Linotype Operator, Muskegon, Michigan Chronicle. Bro. Eric is a product of the California

School at Berkeley.

John Claveau and John McKendry, Linotype Operators, also at the Muskegon, Michigan Chronicle. Both Bro. Johns are products of the Michigan School for the Deaf. (Note: Three deaf printers on one small town paper is unusual and would seem to speak well for deaf printers in general. Would be interesting to learn which one arrived first and by his good work interested his employer in other deaf.

Dick Amundsen, Linotype Operator and Floorman, The Springfield News, Springfield, Oregon. Brother Amundsen is a product of the Washington State School, the Kendall School and Gallaudet.

Pretlow D. Munger, Linotype Operator, Copy Cutter, Proof Reader and "Straw Boss" Cleveland Plain Dealer, Cleveland, Ohio. Brother Munger has been on the Dealer for 42 years and is a product of the Ohio School.

An item appearing in the public prints recently fills us with indignation. It seems that a swimming instructor at a hotel in New York state was discharged for the reason that he decided to enhance his personal appearance and thus increase his popularity with the ladies by raising a beard. Fortunately, the New York State Department of Labor, being composed of persons of discrimination and of judicial mien, refused to allow such an injustice to be perpetrated. It was held that forcing a man to shave against his will is an "unwarranted infringement" of his personal rights. Moreover, it was pointed out that many famous persons have chosen to wear beards.

Readers of Mr. Stallo's department may not generally know that in addition to writing good copy and raising a luxuriant beard, he is very active in promoting the cause of the deaf. He is executive secretary of the California Assn., and a member of a state committee on special education. At the N.A.D. convention in Cincinnati he was apnointed a member of the all-important N.A.D. Reorganization Committee.—Ed.

Now on a training cruise in European waters aboard the U.S. Coast Guard Academy training bark "Eagle," formerly the German Horst Wessel when Hitler was in power, is a Louisville cadet, John H. Mueller III, son of Mr. and Mrs. John Mueller. Young John, a graduate of St. Xavier High School, won his Coast. Caust Guard appointment in a competitive Coast Guard appointment in a competitive examination after learning he would have to wait a year for appointment either to Annapolis or West Point. He stood 25th in a class of 131 in his first year in the Academy at New London, Conn., and in 1954 he won a \$100 award for the best essay in this area in a contest. Young John's dad is a compositor for the Courier-Journal, a hearing man who has proved himself a good friend to the deaf of Louisville, being the son of Mrs. Rose Mueller, young John's grandmother. A good write-up appeared in a recent edition of the Courier-Journal about John's success at the Academy and we are happy to record it herein as a tribute to him and his parents as well as to Rose, whose late husband was a leader among the local deaf population, ever ready to assist those in trouble or in need. He died of a heart attack in 1937 and the deaf of Louisville, never ceasing to mourn his passing, are mighty proud of his and Rose's son and grandson.

(Kentucky News comes to us from Mrs. Richard Hay and we appreciate greatly the wide coverage she is able to make of the deaf of Louisville and vicinity. An old hand at re-porting, Vollie kept us amply supplied with news of Oklahoma City during the years she lived there. Thank you, Vollie, and keep the

news coming!-News Ed.)

COLORADO . . .

Schwayder Brothers closed down for the annual two weeks vacation July 18 to August 1. Many of their deaf employees took this opportunity to go fishing, swimming, and to take trips. The J. R. Castillians went to Nebraska; Mrs. Margaret Herbold flew to Texas to visit her daughter and family; James Lane flew to Los Angeles.

Donald Nelson of Montana was the guest of James Lane previous to their flight to Los Angeles. Donald works as a druggist in a drug-

store in Montana.

John Buckmaster injured his ankle during a softball game, and was taken to the Denver General Hospital by Herb Votaw and Bob Edwards. Bucky was treated for a sprained ankle, but several days later, after considerable pain, he went back and after x-rays, a fractured ankle was the result, and he is now going about on a walking cast.

Visitors to the Silent Athletic Club of Denver on July 17 were Mr. and Mrs. Edgar Anderson and daughter, and Mrs. John Anderson, all of Los Angeles, Calif.; Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Wiegand of Lincoln, Neb; Mr. and Mrs. Mervin Garrettson of the Montana School faculty; and a gentleman from Iowa whose name

was not given.

The Edgar Andersons and daughter were the guests of Bill and Eva Fraser while Mrs. John Anderson was the guest of Mr. and Mrs. Richard Fraser I, during July. The Wm. Wiegands of Lincoln were on their vacation, traveling through the Rockies, and they stopped to visit the Henry Andrewson of Down The men the Howard Andresses of Denver. The were schoolmates at the Nebraska School.

Also in town were Mr. and Mrs. Scott Cuscaden of Omaha, staying with Mary and Loren Elstad. John Scott Elstad, weighing in at 7 pounds 11 ounces, was born to Mr. and Mrs. Loren Elstad on July 5. The Elstads moved into their new home during the week-end of July 4, and the baby wasn't due until the middle of July.

Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Longmore are the

new parents of a boy born July 21 at Presby-

terian Hospital.

The annual picnic sponsored by the Frats was held July 17 at O'Fallon Park in the

mountains. Many visitors were there, and a good time was had by all.

The Votaw Cabin on Lookout Mountain has been spruced up—a painting spree was held 10 with Bob Cameron doing most of the work, helped by Herb and friends. The cabin is now white with green trim. The kitchen has undergone remodeling. On July 19 at the cabin for a barbecued hamburger supper with all the trimmings were the Votaws, the Dick Andersons, Ruby Pavalko, and her guests from San Antonio, Texas, Mr. and Mrs. Leon Beck. This was the first visit to Colorado by the Becks, and they were very much impressed by the mountains and the coolness. Alex was unable to join the group as he works nights.

Russell DeHaven has returned to Denver

after spending part of his vacation with his parents in St. Louis, Mo., and his sister and her family in Lexington, Kentucky. Russell brought his mother back to Denver with him

for a visit.
Mr. and Mrs. Bernard Castaline and son Perrin are, at this writing, in Boston, Mass., visiting Bernard's family. Marilyn will stay for a longer visit after Bernard returns to Denver.

Tragic news was learned on July 20 upon opening the morning newspaper when the headlines stated that Clarence Williams had shot his wife, Wanda, and committed suicide in the apartment of family friends. The Williamses were the parents of two baby boys, aged 18 months and 4 months, and had been separated when this happened. Clarence attended the Colorado School, while Wanda, nee Biles, attended the Evans School in Denver, a day school. Maternal grandparents have taken the babies. Funeral services were held July 23.

OREGON . . .

Around 40 guests gathered at the Rose City Club to honor Mr. and Mrs. Emil Moreau at a surprise party upon the occasion of the couple's 25th wedding anniversary June 5. In charge of the festivities were Messrs, and Mesdames Herman Baim, Don Patterson, Walter Lauer, Courtland Greenwald. Karl Johnson, Bob Jones, and Mrs. Kenneth Welch.

Mrs. Paul Walton underwent surgery at the local hospital during June and is now at home recovering rapidly. Joe Stotts is also feeling right chipper again following the removal of

his tonsils June 13.

The First Methodist Church was the scene of a beautiful wedding June 12 when Inez Adams, Adams, became the bride of Richard Lee Gusey. Inez graduated June 5 from Willamette University and plans to teach physical education. tion at the Independence High School this fall. Her husband will finish at Willamette in February. The newlyweds have just returned from a California honeymoon and are now at

home in Independence, Ore.

Another wedding of interest took place June
25 at the Highland Park Baptist Church in
Portland. Donald Stark, grand-nephew of Portland. Donald Stark, grand-nephew of Miss Anita Stark, and Miss Phyllis McCalleney were united in marriage and departed thereafter for New York, where Donald is completing his last term in medicine at Cornell

University.

Mr. Seymour Bernstein of New York is spending the summer in Portland. In case you did not know, Seymour is a student at Gallaudet and is due to return to his studies in a few weeks. Meanwhile he is enjoying his Oregon vacation.

Forty-eight children have enrolled in the Vacation Bible School at Hope Lutheran Church for the Deaf. Instructors are Rev. George Ring and Mrs. Ring, and Mesdames Priem, Eden, Rife, and Drake.

Mrs. Eunice Lawrence of Vancouver, Wash., has been a patient at Memorial Hospital for several weeks. She hopes to be well enough soon to go down to Los Angeles to see her son and family while Charles, her husband,

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John C. Weins and Son of Taft. Calif. Win National Retail Award

Retailing's most respected honor has been awarded to John C. Weins and Son of Taft, California. A blue ribbon panel of twenty-three merchants meeting in New York City awarded John C. Weins and Son, 606 Center Street, Taft, the coveted Certificate of Distinction in the Brand Name Retailer-of-the-

Year competition for 1954.

This was made known in a telegram to Robert, son of John C. Wein, from Henry E. Abt, President of Brand Names Foundation, Inc., which said that the Taft firm had been named for one of four citations in the paint and wallpaper field from thousands of competing firms. Abt said that the award was made for outstanding year-round presentation of manufacturer's brands to the public. It was given to Weins at the Annual Brand Names Day Dinner in New York City. More than 1,700 civic leaders and businessmen witnessed the presentation at the dinner in the Grand Ballroom of the Waldorf-Astoria Hotel, Wednesday, April 15th.

In a letter which followed the telegram announcing the award, Weins learned that he and his fellow winners would be honored by manufacturers. national publications, newspapers and the radio and television industry during a special 3-day program preceding the dinner. In addition to a visit to New York's City Hall for official greetings from Mayor Robert L. Wagner, the group attended a barbecue in Central Park sponsored by Life Magazine; a cocktail party and buffet sponsored by the Saturday Evening Post; visited the United Nations and Empire buildings: and were guests of 20 manufacturers, trade publications and associations at luncheons and other activities.

John C. Weins and his son are well known among the deaf of California. John himself is deaf and a leader among the deaf of Bakersfield and vicinity. John and his son have a large thriving paint and wallpaper shop in Taft, California.

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attends the Frat Convention at Buffalo as delegate from Vancouver. Charles will visit his sister in St. Louis, Mo., before joining Eunice in Los Angeles for the journey back north.

Almost a hundred persons attended the Northwest Lutheran Conference for the Deaf held at Camp Colton July 16 and 17. Among the out-of-state visitors noted were Rev. and Mrs. Beyer of Seattle, Rev. Hauptman and the John Skoglunds of Spokane, the Victor Herbolds of Great Falls, Mont., Robert Werth of Helena, Mont., Mrs. Beulah McFarland of Bilings, Mont., Mr. and Mrs. E. Fredrickson and Mr. and Mrs. John Temus of Everett, Wash., Mrs. Florence Mathias of Vancouver, B. C., Mr. and Mrs. Emil Lichtenberg, Hildur Powers and George Eckner of Tacoma, Mr. and Mrs. David Krause of Bew, Wash., Mrs. Block of Monroe, Wash., and Miss Jean Morgan of Kelso, Wash., Everyone enjoyed the event and the next conference will be held either at Tacoma or Seattle in 1956.

Mr. James Drake is the newly elected president and Mr. Harold Rife is the new secretary for the Northwest Lutheran Laymen.

Down in Los Angeles these fine summer days are Miss Mary Loseth and her hearing sister, visiting at the home of another sister. Their itinerary inludes parts of Utah, Arizona, and Nevada also.

and Nevada also.

Announcing the arrival of a new grand-daughter June 29 are Arthur Edens. The baby has been named Shirley Joanne and is the delight of her three-year-old brother, David.

The Lewis Kuenzi family, who live up near Salem, are going through a siege of chickenpox right now. Mr. and Mrs. Lloyd Adams are being seen driving around Portland in a new '55 Pontiac. Mrs. Beulah McFarland of Billings, Montana, is visiting her daughter and family at Salem and plans to remain throughout the rest of the summer. Our sympathy is extended to Mrs. Marie Brickley, whose father passed away recently, and to Mrs. Rocksein Hood, whose mother died. Rev. George Ring underwent knee surgery and is spending two weeks in the hospital, coming along just fine. Miss Anita Stark also spent some time at the Emanuel Hospital and is now at home again. Bill Ewasuk has secured employment with a publishing concern in Tacoma and during the intervening month he has been making weekend trips down to Portland to be with his wife, Anne.

Mr. and Mrs. Henry Gunderson are now comfortably settled in their new Salem house. Henry has been in the hospital the past three weeks and is anxious to get back home again.

We are hoping that all of you readers are planning to attend the big anniversary celebration at the Rose City Club in Portland September 2-5. Highlights will be the Queen Coronation Ball and a Salmon Derby and Picnic. Hope to meet you there!

NEBRASKA . . .

The first outdoor affair of the year for the local deaf was the annual outing of the Omaha Frats on Sunday, July 3, in Spring Lake Park, one of the most popular picnic spots in the city, and there was a good-sized attendance, including quite a few from Council Bluffs, Iowa, just across the river from Omaha. It was really a sizzling hot day then—typical corn weather—but the outing itself was in the shade all the time, down in a large hollow with big trees all around, and there was the ever-present pop stand which was heavily patronized, and the games were such that the people did not have to exert themselves too much. One of those games was a variation of the word-action program as seen on TV, each one acting out a given sentence in native or home signs, which proved to be quite easy for all, contrary to the expectations of the commit-

tee. A most amusing incident occurred in the drawing for the door prize: the baby boy of the George Propps, only a year old, was selected for the honor of picking the lucky number, and he drew number 32; and his father, who was holding him, had the very same number. The committee, headed by Tom Peterson, must have done a good job of it, despite the heat and the absence of a number of people, who were out of town on vacation. Those on the committee were Nick Abariotes, Edmond Berney, Nels Nelson, and Harry Stilen, plus those two good Aux-Frats who helped with the refreshments: Mrs. Dolly Peterson and Mrs. Kay Nelson.

In their long-range campaign of raising funds for the 1956 MAAD Basketball Tournament, the Council Bluffs Silent Club had for their second or third social event a large outing in Dodge Park, right on the Missouri River, Sunday, July 17, with about 100 persons present, including many from Omaha. The main atincluding many from Omaha. traction was a softball game between the CB boys and the Omaha boys, won by CB, the score for which we cannot recall at this moment. Seen at the outing were Mr. Palmer Lee, president of the Iowa Association of the Deaf, who had just returned from the convention of the National Association of the Deaf at Cincinnati, Ohio, and Mr. Philip Plocar of Milwaukee, Wis., member of the AAAD championship BB team, who was in this vicinity on a combined pleasure and business trip. CB Club will have another outing on the 21st of August; just where we have not learned yet, but we know from experience that it will be a good one, and we certainly wish the CB Club the best of luck with their campaign. They are the host for the MAAD tournament in CB next February, and Mr. Francis Jacobson is the general chairman.

Horseshoe pitching tournament for the deaf! Yes, that is just what we had at the annual outing of the Omaha Club of the Deaf on the campus of the Nebraska School for the Deaf Sunday, July 24, and there were about 30 en-trants. There was prize money, too. Due to lack of time, it was arranged as a double tournament with Delbert Meyer, chairman, and Don Jeck supervising, and when it was all over, there came up the new champions of the first horseshoe pitching tournament: James Wiegand of Lincoln, Nebr., and Ervin Holub of Omaha; second place went to Jim Spatz, Omaha, and Bob Dinchart, Council Bluffs, Iowa; and third place to Melvin Horton, Omaha, and Bob Patzner, Council Bluffs. Immediately afterwards there was a softball game between Omaha and Council Bluffs, all players younger deaf men, and Omaha won, thus avenging the defeat suffered a week earlier on Iowa soil. There were about 130 persons altogether at the outing, including the children of deaf parents. In step with the fashion of these modern times, many young deaf ladies came and paraded around in shorts, and even a few of the young deaf men, brave souls that they were, wore Bermuda shorts. Delbert Meyer, though quite a very young fellow, only 22 years old, did a fine job as chairman and 22 years on, that a fine job as chainfair and he certainly deserves a pat on the back. Those on his committee were Don Jeck, Mary Haynes, Bill Mauk, Mrs. Marion Pettit and Mrs. Dolly Peterson, and they all did their parts commendably well.

There were about 20 Omaha deaf in Glenwood, Iowa, July 4 at the birthday party in honor of Mr. O. E. Gilson, husband of our Josephine Tubrick. Mr. Gilson was just 70 years old that day and was looking very good for his age. He is working yet in a small shoe-repair shop of his own in town. Dinner was served buffet style late in the afternoon, after a tour made by some people over the grounds of the State Home in town. A stop was made at the office of Dr. Michaelson, one time teacher at the Iowa School about 45 or 50 years ago; he is a chiropractor and has been so for 35 years. He did not recognize Riley



Married June II in Warwick, Virginia, were Miss Susie Ruth Armstrong and Mr. Edwin Hazelwood, shown above. Following a reception, the newlyweds departed on a wedding trip to North Carolina and Tennessee and are now at home in Warwick. Edwin, a native of England, came to America in 1950 and will receive his U. S. citizenship shortly. The bride is the daughter of Mrs. T. F. Armstrong of Warwick and the groom is the son of Mrs. J. W. Carlisle of Norfolk.

Anthony among those in his office, but later knew him when Anthony related an incident that had occurred in the classroom with himself as pupil and Dr. Michaelson as teacher. He is just 75 years old, yet he looks 30 years younger, and has not forgotten the sign language after all these many years. He gave a lecture on the value of chiropractic treatment, demonstrating it on Victor Beran and Mrs. Delehoy and Mrs. Addie Ormes without charge. All others at the party besides the abovementioned were the Tom Petersons, the Robert Dobsons, Mrs. Beran, Mr. Ben Delehoy, Mrs. R. E. Anthony, Mrs. Hellstein and Miss Stillahn.

Mr. and Mrs. Harry Colick of Los Angeles, Calif., were in Omaha and Council Bluffs for two weeks in July, visiting Harry's relatives and friends. Harry was a former Omaha resident and had attended school at N.S.D. His wife was a native of Austria, having been born and raised in Vienna, becoming a D.P. or war refugee in Italy after fleeing for her own life from Austria during the war, and coming to the United States only five years ago. She applied for U.S. citizenship several months ago and passed, and only a month ago she took the oath for new Americans. She seemed such a charming and intelligent lady, and one could see that she really had gone through a lot during the war in Europe. She told us of some of her experiences during the war in Yugoslavia where she lived for a while and in Italy both before and after the end of the war; she saw both of the two dictators alive, Hitler and Mussolini, and the latter dead and strung up by the feet in the street. She knew and used German and Italian quite fluently and a little of the Slavic tongue, and now it is English for her. She appears well contented with living in the United States and will not think of ever going back to Austria except on a trip to visit her old relatives and friends, of whom there are not very many.

Mrs. Grace Scheneman underwent a major operation late in June, being rushed to a local hospital on the very day of arrival of her daughter, Mrs. Betty Lou Mayhew of West

Virginia. After spending more than a week at the hospital she was brought back home for an extended period of convalescence, and at this writing it is reported that she has been recuperating nicely and should be able to get around in a few weeks. At the time of the operation she was determined to keep it a secret from the deaf of Omaha and she drew the entire family into the conspiracy. All went well until some deaf friends went a-calling on them and found Grace at the hospital and you know the rest.

Vacation doings of Omaha people: Oscar and Viola Treuke drove to Yellowstone Park, running into a group of students from Gallauget who were working at the resort hotels and then up to Glacier Park and into Canada to Banff. On the return trin they stopped in Montana near Great Falls to visit relatives of the first Mrs. Treuke, deceased. . . . Scott Cuscadens made a hurried trip to Denver to see the newly born son of their daughter, Mary Elstad, and planned to remain until August 1. . . Mrs. Edith Osmun went to Morning Sun, Iowa, near the Mississippi, for a couple of weeks with one of her brothers out in the country and back to take care of the Cuscaden domicile during their absence with the assistance of Mrs. Addie Ormes. . . . Miss Nora Nanney and Louis Palermo were the only ones from Omaha attending the NAD Convention at Cincinnati; Louis stopped in St. Louis for the Convention of the International Catholic Deaf on the way back and Miss Nanney was coming back to Lincoln, Nebr., to be with her sister, Mrs. John Reed, before reporting for work at NSD. . . . The Robert Mullins journeyed to Oklahoma City to visit the George Revers, formerly of Omaha, and they went on a fishing trip. . . . Bob Pettit went down to Kansas City to see major league baseball between the KC Athletics and the NY Yankees, and that was his first trip out of Omaha in several years. . . . Jim Kudrna spent his two weeks vacation with his folks at Lake Okoboji in Iowa.

OKLAHOMA . . .

Mr. and Mrs. Jim Sharpton (nee Billie Parman) of Baltimore, Md., were in Oklahoma during the early summer visiting with friends and relatives and then going on to Georgia where they stayed awhile with Jim's people before returning to Maryland. While here they attended a wedding, that of Billie's aunt.

Quite a large crowd of deaf from surrounding towns attended the Mother's Day services at the church in McAlester and it was a happy group who assembled in the dining hall later for a dinner. Among those we noted were Reverend Bell of Tulsa, Mr. W. R. Plattel of McAlester, and Ted Griffing of Sulphur.

Ted served as toastmaster and added much to the enjoyment of the gathering.

Virgil Bates of Tulsa rapidly from recent surgery for the treatment of a cancerous condition. Friends are happy at the good news.

Woodrow Ellis has been seen at the wheel of a good-looking 1953 Pontiac and, yes, it is his

Among the many visitors who attended the Alumni Day at Sulphur during May were Mr. and Mrs. Lloyd Bridges, Louise Benham, Billy Usrey and Giano Giddie, all of whom came from Dallas.

The Oklahoma Association of the Deaf, in a recent election, appointed Miss Bernice Shedeck as president. Sworn in by the outgoing president, Fred Stapp of Tulsa, were: Jim Gray, first vice-president; Arnold Wright, second vice-president; W. T. Griffing, secretary; and Eldon Davis, treasurer.

Millie Ann Long journeyed down to Houston to take in the Baptist Church Convention and stopped over in various cities before returning home. During her vacation she suffered a bad fall and has since entered a hospital for surgery on her knee.

The Harry Rudolph family motored to Louisville, Ky., on vacation and dropped in to surprise former Oklahomans Dick and

Hay. The four had a quite jolly reunion.
The Annual Picnic held in Enid June 12
was fun for everyone. Suey Scott, Gallaudet
'55, was tendered a farewell picnic at the same time. Suey has been living in Enid for years and friends were reluctant to see her depart for Las Vegas, Nevada, where she will

make her home. Vaudia Fern Kendrick is home in Oklahoma for the summer and plans to return to her duties at the Maryland School in the fall. Dale Duck will also return to work at the South Carolina School and tells us that he likes his work there very much.

Mary and Everett Harris enjoy many quiet evenings at home these summer days. And with good reason too, for they have installed a 21-inch screen Westinghouse television in their livingroom.

Mr. and Mrs. Gus Falke have moved down to Sapulpa, where Gus is working at his carpentry trade. They are missed greatly by their good neighbors, the Everett Harrises and Arn-Wrights.

The Alex Hickersons of Oklahoma City have been visiting with Mrs. Hickerson's sister and brother-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. Virl Massey,

in Compton, Calif.
Mr. and Mrs. Charles R. Hays of Ringwood announce the arrival of a baby daughter on June 28.

ARIZONA . . .

This summer as usual is vacation time and

among those leaving Phoenix to seek relaxation were Mrs. H. B. Leezer, who with a neighbor lady drove to Springfield, Ill., for two weeks.

Mr. and Mrs. Richard McRae and sons, Richard and Eldon, who recently acquired a brand new '55 Ford, drove to the Grand Canyon and Las Vegas, Los Angeles, and San Diego.

Miss Mabel Roberts recently purchased a '53 Chevrolet Bel Air and has taken side trips on several occasions. She holds a steady job with one of the up-to-date cleaning plants.

A very impressive wedding took place June 12 at Cudja City, a suburb of Phoenix, when Miss Yita Zwibel and Fred William Harrison were married beside the pool at seven p.m. After the ceremony supper was served to 200 guests in the hall nearby. Among those in attendance were Mr. and Mrs. Frank Miller and Mr. and Mrs. Gilbert Leon. The happy couple took a honeymoon trip to the Grand Canyon and Las Vegas and then returned for a short stay with the bride's parents before resuming their trip to Tennessee to visit the groom's parents. They have taken up resigroom's parents. They have taken up residence in Gary, Indiana, where Mr. Harrison does lithograph work. Congratulations!

Mrs. Belle Keez, who attended the Diamond

Jubilee NAD Convention in Cincinnati, reported a big crowd there. Flying from Phoenix to the Ohio city, she enjoyed the first plane ride of her life. Her many friends in this Arizona city have their fingers crossed in hopes that she will decide to make this western state her parmanent home.

Mr. and Mrs. Paul Anderson and two children spent their three weeks' vacation in the latter part of June with Eda's folks in Holbrook, Arizona. They report having had a delightful time taking side trips fishing and enjoying the comfortable nights in that high altitude.

Another wedding on Sunday, June 24, was that of Mr. and Mrs. William Wherry's granddaughter. The ceremony took place in a Phoenix church and following that was a sumptuous dinner on the spacious lawn in the rear of the Wheiry home.

Mrs. Shirley Walker and her two young

daughters, who have resided in Phoenix since last fall, left on July 5 for Indiana for an indefinite stay. We shall miss her immensely, as she has been extremely popular among her deaf friends.

Mrs. Babette Krayeski and children journeyed to Chicago immediately before the NAD Convention. The son and daughter, both teen-agers, stayed with a cousin in the Windy City while their mother went on to Cincinnati to mingle with the hundreds who had come for the week-long gathering.

Mrs. Roy Morrison recently went to a clinic for an x-ray checkup, as her strength seemed to be on the downgrade. Recent reports are that she has benefited considerably

after taking treatments.
Mr. and Mrs. Raymond Schneider recently moved to a new address in the southern part of Phoenix. Raymond still holds a good job in the meat department of a local super

market.

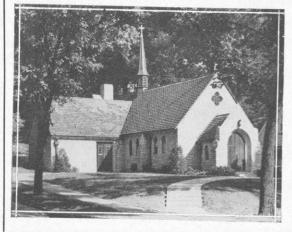
The Phoenix Deaf Club has been holding social gatherings once a month since summer started and as September arrives the meetings will resume twice a month.

This has been a good season for watermelons and cantaloupes. In the nearby town of Glendale two days early in July were set aside for a melon festival and thirty tons of cold melons were served to 25,000 persons. This was the sixth annual such event.

CALIFORNIA . . .

Everybody, according to old Uncle Remus, has got a "laughin' place"! Naturally, you just don't bust out giggling every time but there are "smiley places" somewhere around town all the time. It is our business to ferret

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out the town's laughin' and smilin' places and set them down in print each month, so here we go with a happy bunch of notes and let us hope that nary a bit of sadness appears amid the pile of mail this bright July morning.

First, of course, we usually open the tiny envelopes because they usually contain joyous invitations or else even more happy announcements. At the top of the heap we found a note telling us of the happy event which oc-curred recently at the Weldon Westmoreland's in nearby Lynwood. Little Carolyn Ruth has arrived and now brings the number of Westmoreland offspring to three. Weldon is a for-mer student of the Texas School and everyone remembers Jennie (nee Napolitano), who hails

from St. Mary's, Buffalo.
"Perfectly lovely" may be a hackneyed phrase
but it describes to the 'nth' degree the surprise party Tom and Becky Elliott gave June 25. Guests of honor were Lil and Bob Skinner, who were celebrating their fifth year of wedded bliss and no one had more fun than the group of friends who gathered to compliment Lil and Bob and make merry at the hospitable residence of Tom and Becky.

Another happy event occurred the next day at the Art Newman's home in North Holly-wood. Mr. and Mrs. Herb Scribner were feted at a surprise bar-b-q, the occasion being the Scribners' 15th wedding anniversary.

Out on the briny deep, but only as far as the Barge "Bounty" went young Kenny Schreiber with his sister, Nancy, on a recent Saturday. In tow was their daddy, Herb, who tagged along to see that they didn't fall overboard. We learn with relief that there was no mutiny we learn with rehet that there was no mutiny on the Bounty that day, with Kenny hauling aboard fish after fish and Nan a close second. Herb caught just ONE, to bring the total to an even dozen ... a good day's catch!

And as for ocean fishing, it was a gay four-some who boarded the Hornet the same Satur-

Odean Rasmussen, Frank Davis, Einer Rosenkjar and Florian Caligiuri fished just off Catalina and we asked the skipper what luck they had. Seems that all four had right good fishing. John and Johnny Fail boarded the Hurricane for San Clemente July 18 and brought home a carload of great big barracuda, which they distributed among the neighbors out on Janice Street. Jerry wouldn't let 'em in the house!

Back "Home in Indiana" went Charles Lawson in early July. Charles is bringing his two young sons home to Hawthorne, a Los Angeles suburb, and he departed in high spirits at the prospect of seeing the boys. The two have been living with relatives and Charles missed them so much he rented a six-room house in Hawthorne and then packed his bags and started East to bring them home.

Carolyn Nunn departed during July for a three-week visit with her family in Hannibal, Mo., taking with her the five little Nunns and leaving Ivan to shift for himself. Needless to say, Ivan was glad to have his family return July 25. The house seemed much too quiet without the five children romping about.

Next time you are out in the vicinity of Westwood, stop at 1903 Prosser and make the Westwood, stop at 1905 Prosser and make the acquaintance of Herb Schreiber's "Taxes." What's that, you ask! Well, "Taxes" is a dog, no less, and Herb goes around reciting:

I've got a little dog,

His name is Taxes;

Every time I open the door,

Income Taxes!
And what is more, Herb bought Taxes a swell-elegant dog-house! Move over, Taxes!

Busy as can be these fine summer days are the J. J. Wheelers, who are building a of their own over in Artesia near Long Beach. The Wheelers moved down here several years ago to be near relatives, the Skedsmos and the Cooksons; and recently sold their home up in Washington State. They are hoping to occupy the new house before Christmas.

Attractively printed cards post-marked Tuc-

son, Arizona, have been received by the many California friends of Frank and Beverly Sladek announcing the completion and occupancy of the new Sladek home on North Dodge Boulethe new Stadek nome on North Bodge Boule-vard, Tucson. And another card came just the other day telling of the lovely home just completed by Harry and Marie Jacobs in the Montclair district of Oakland. From the photograph it appears to be a masterpiece of architecture and we will soon be trekking up to Oakland just to see it, too.

However hard we may try, no word of ours can comfort Cecile Willman of Los Angeles who grieves deeply at the loss of her beloved sister, Mrs. Dorothy Mason of Los Angeles. sister, Mrs. Dorothy Mason of Los Angeles. Mrs. Mason passed away on Saturday, July 8. She had been in a deep coma for almost a month suffering from a stroke and spinal men-ingitis, which would have rendered her completely paralyzed had she survived. everywhere will remember Mrs. Mason as Cecile's traveling companion on many previous world tours. Our greatest sympathy is extended to Cecile and her husband, Kenneth. Mrs. Mason, a native of Michigan, taught 12 years at Cornell University and took more than a hundred sea voyages to all parts of the world in her capacity as social director aboard ship. She was at one time a society writer for the New York Herald-Tribune and later a hostess aboard ships of the Cunard Line. During World War II she entered liaison work for the British Ministry of War Transport in New York, retiring in 1950 to live in Los Angeles. In lieu of flowers, friends were asked to send donations to the USO.

Bernard and Julia Kwitkie left Los Angeles July 18 for a two-weeks vacation tour of the Pacific-Northwest; Sandra Blumenberg enter-tained house guest Connie Black of Santa Barbara the other week; the Herb Schreibers played hosts to Mr. and Mrs. Tom Mayes of Flint, Mich., July 20; the Los Angeles Educational Deaf Society made merry at a swimming party in the pool at the home of Max and Mary Thompson July 16 with some 80 in attendance; George and Dorothy Young returned the other day from an extended vacation trip which took them up to the Feather River, Yosemite, Kings Canyon and Sequoia, fishing and camping out in the open; the GCAA gathered with friends at a picnic at Chevoit Hills Park July 24; Etta and Elmer Priester are seen riding in one of those beautiful 1955 Oldsmobile 88's and friends tell us that John and Thelma Rabb and daughter have gone East on a motor trip in a brand new '55 model, make unknown; Herman Skedsmo seems to be doing right well by himself judging from the 1955 Nash he recently acquired and Don-ald and Eleanor Nuernberger are really happy

with their 1955 Dodge; over the border and through the dunes to fabulous Las Vegas went Luther B. Harris in July and his luck must have been good because he showed us a solid

gold cigarette lighter upon his return.

Lois and George Elliott spent a rather hectic week-end the latter part of June packing and crating, lugging, tugging and hauling their belongings into a huge two-story house on South St. John Avenue in Pasadena. The house week-end the latter part of June packing and has four bedrooms and a den, ample space for the seven members of the family, and George says it is really a house right out of literature, The House of Seven Gables.

Surf, sand and sun days have come to Long Beach and there is no place on earth like our town in July what with the most beautiful girls in all the world gathered here at this writing to take part in the Miss Universe Beauty Pageant. Right along with the times, the Long Beach Club staged a Beauty Contest of its own July 16 with Beverly (Mrs. Jack) McCallon taking all honors. Beverly is the lassie who ran a close second to Mary Max Thompson for the title of Miss AAAD during the recent Los Angeles Nationals. Runner-up to Beverly July 16 was Jackie James and third place went to Joyce Vogelsang, amid the cheers of a full house of young people home from school on vacation. We especially noted Joe Velez of Gallaudet among the spectators. Frank Huepper rolled out his movie-making equipment and flash bulbs popped during the judging which was, according to the judges, quite a task.

Earl and Hope Beasley and son, Dick, spent

a really nice week-end out in Roverside July 16-17 as house guests of Mr. and Mrs. Wukadinovich and baby. While there they visited with the numerous other residents of Riverside and brought back the news that the Newmans and the Wukys are both expecting second additions to their little families around

the first of the coming year.

Nobody, but nobody, had more fun out at 505 W. Almora in Monterey Park the evening of July 30 than that handsome young bachelor, Glen Orten. Iva Smallidge and the Julian Garners turned Iva's home upside down in their all-out efforts to throw a gala surprise birthday party for Glen and he told us that it was the very first birthday party he had ever been given in his life. There was not a dry eye in the house when Iva relayed the news to Glen that his friends were gathered there to wish him many happy returns of the day. Friends came from all over the surrounding countryside to help Glen celebrate his natal day and toasts were drunk and mountains of food devoured before anyone thought of going home. Yes, it was a wonderful party and



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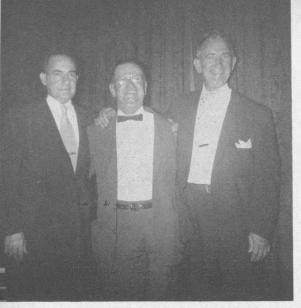
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TOP N.A.D. CHESSMEN-Left to right: Co-champion Juan F. Font; Runner-up and Director Robert H. Kannapell; Co-cham-pion J. W. Stevenson. Photo by Maurice D. Weiner of Dorchester, Mass.

couldn't happen to a nicer fellow.

Latest to purchase a 1955 automobile is young Peter Hudson of Whittier. Peter hails from Canada, having resided in Edmonton, Montreal, and Toronto before coming to southern California. The new car is a Studebaker Commander V-8 coupe in a color combination of levels and in the large a real snarry.

of lovely coral and jet black, a real snazzy buggy if there ever was one.

Joe Velez of Gallaudet has secured summer employment and is living in Los Angeles until time to return to his studies at Washington, D. C. Mr. Conrad Urbach of Fort Morgan, Colorado, spent his vacation in and around Colorado, spent his vacation in and around Los Angeles and vicinity and greatly enjoyed being one of the judges at the Long Beach Club's beauty contest July 16. Also enjoying a two weeks vacation in Southern California at this writing is Frankie Lehr of Newton, Kansas. Frankie made it a point to visit the newly opened Disneyland in nearby Anaheim. Friends tell us that it was a happy and lively Sunday afternoon when friends of Mr. and Sunday afternoon when friends of Mr. and Mrs. Edmund Gutsch gathered at the new Gutsch home in Hawthorne to surprise Edmund and Elzira with a housewarming just

recently.

Mr. and Mrs. Emory Gerichs of Los Angeles entertained at a garden reception honoring their newly married daughter, Dorothy, and her husband the afternoon of Sunday, June 3. The newlyweds, glowing with happiness, were given a gala sendoff with all good wishes for their happiness.

Friends of Mr. and Mrs. George Dietrich gathered at the Los Angeles Club recently to say farewell to them, having learned that they are moving to the suburbs of Chicago. Mrs. Dietrich and the children will leave soon and

Dietrich and the children will leave soon and George will join them later.

Miss LaRue Rohn and Mr. Lyman Emmer were married June 25 by Reverend Jonas in Los Angeles. Attending the young couple were Miss Carol Rush, maid of honor, and Julian Singleton as Lyman's best man. Bridesmaids were Bernice Hoare and Marilyn Jaech, with Joe Velez and Frank Schmidt serving as ushover at Catalina Island and returned to settle down to the business of married life. We learn of an amusing incident involving the purchase of groceries upon their return from their honeymoon. Seems that Lyman and La-Rue decided to stock up the pantry and among their purchases was a 100-pound sack of pota-toes. Latest bulletin informs us that the blush-ing bride and groom divided the huge sack of spuds amongst their friends.

Odean and Virginia Rasmussen and son

spent part of their two weeks vacation during July down in San Diego.

CHECKMATE!



Bu "Loco" Ladner



N. A. D. Chess Tournament

Last month we reported that Juan F. Font of New York City and J. W. Stevenson of Talladega, Alabama, tied for top score at the N.A.D. Chess Tournament.

	F.	S.	K.
Font	X	1	2
Stevenson	1	X	11/9
Kannapell	0	1/2	X
Mantz	0	$\bar{0}$	0
Daulton	1/2	0	0
Almo	0	0	0

The tournament started at 9:00 a.m., on July 6, and lasted until 11 p.m. Bob Kannapell was tournament director and apparently this affected his score somewhat.

The shortest game was Font-Daulton, 8 moves; the longest game, Font-Mantz, 70 moves. Stevenson polished off Mantz in another short-short of nine moves.

The critical games found Font winning twice from Kannapell and once from Stevenson. The latter won and drew with Kannapell and won the first encounter with Font. Daulton came back to draw Font after losing the first game in 8 moves.

Here are the Font-Kannapell games. Later on we hope to obtain scores of the other critical games and publish them in this column:

N.A.D. Chess Tournament Cincinnati, Ohio, July 6, 1955

Stonewall Attack

White: Juan F. Font	Black	
1. P—04 P—04	Robert K. Ka	annapell
2. P—K3 N—KB3	34. R—R7	K-N1
3. B—03 P—B4	35. RxN	BxR
2. P—K3 N—KB3 3. B—Q3 P—B4 4. P—QB3 P—K3	34. R—R7 35. RxN 36. PxQP	K-B2
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6. N—B3 O—O	38. B—B4	
7. QN—Q2 N—B3	39. P—K6	B-K1
8. O—O Q—B2	40. B—K5	
9. N—K5 P—QN3	41. K—N3	R-R4
10. P—KN4(a)	42. K—B4	P-R5
P—KR3	43. B—B6	K-B2
11. P—N5 * PxP	44. B-N5? (d)
12. PxP N—R2		B-N3
13. Q—R5 P—N3	45. K—K5	R-R1
14. O—R6(b) N—K2	46. P-Q6 ch.	K-B1
15. Ř—B3 N—B4	47. P—Q7 ch.	K-B2
16. BxN KPxB	48. P—Q8(Q)	
17. R—R3 P—B3	ch.(e)	RxQ
18. QxP ch. Q—KN2	49. BxR ch.	KxB
19. QxQ ch. KxQ	50. K—Q6	B-R4
20. PxP ch. RxP	51. N—K5	P—B5
21. R—N3 ch. K—B1	52. K—B6	P-B6
22. QN—B3 K—K1	53. NxP	BxN ch.
23. Ř—N7 N—B1	54. KxNP	K-K2
24. B—Q2 B—K3	55. KxP	KxP
25. K—B2 R—R3	56. K—N4	B-B3
26. R(1)—KN1	57. K—B5	B-K1
P—R4	58. K—N4	K-B4
27. R—QN7 R—N1	59. P—N3	PxP

They decided not to play off but rather to be co-champions. The entire standings were:

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28. R(1)—N7	RxR	60. PxP	K-N5
29. RxR	BxN	61. K—B5	KxP
30. PxB	N-Q2	62. P—N4	K-N4
31. P—KR4	K-O1	63. P—N5	K—B3
32. P—K4	R-R4	64. K—Q6	B—B2
33. B—N5 ch.	K—B1	65. P—B5	Resigns(f)

Notes by the Chess Editor:

(a) This move starts the steamroller in the

Stonewall attack.

(b) We wonder if 14. BxP would work. But it seems refuted by PxB. Let's see: 15. QxP ch., Q—N2 (If . . . K—R1; 16. N—B7 check is fatal); 16. QxQ ch., KxQ; 17. RxR, NxR; 18. NxN and White is two pawns ahead. Can anyone find a flaw in this analysis?

(c) Black offered a draw here but White declined it with two good reasons—two connected passed pawns.

(d) White puts a question mark after this move. What is a better move?

(e) Too soon. Better is 48. K—B6 and wins

easily.
There is no hope of stopping both pawns. Either will Queen.

THE SILENT WORKER regrets that the Chess Editor's monthly problem had to be omitted this month, due to lack of space. Watch for it next month.

Second Game

To Be or Not to Be . . .

King's Indian Defense

White: Ka	annapell	Black:	Font
1. P—Q4	N—KB3	11. Q—B2	KN—B3
2. P—QB4	P—KN3	12. P—K4	P—QN3
3. N—QB3	B—N2	13. P—K5	PxP
4. P—QN3	0-0	14. PxP	N—N5
5. N—KB3	P-Q3	15. QR—Q1	B—N2
6. P—K3	QN—Q2	16. B—K2	Q—K2
7. B—Q3	P-K4	17. R—Q4	N(5)xKP
8. O—Ò	R-K1	18. NxN	NxN
9. B-N2? ((a)	19. KR-Q1	?(b)
	P—K5		N—B6 ch.
10. NxP	NxN	20. Resigns (c)
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Notes by the Chess Editor:

(a) A blunder, as it allows the pawn to fork two pieces on the next move.(b) A weakening move. However, White is too

far behind in material and needs to risk

something to win.

(c) If 20. BxN; 21. Q—K8 check wins. Or if 20. PxN; BxR, followed by QxB, wins.

Under the stress and pressure of a tournament game, even the masters have blundered. Font was to be—the winner and co-champion!



California School for the Deaf counted 77 points to capture the 13th annual National Mythical School for the Deaf track and field championships. It also had a successful season, winning II and losing I. The BVD athletes representing this 1955 edition are from left to right, front row: Oscar Ogles, Maurice Mosley, Joze Gonzales, Reno Coletti, Gary Tyhurst, John Tingley, G. Dante, B. Pascoe, S. Blake. Middle row: Coach David Fraley, M. Ellison, D. King, M. Vicencio, D. Weatherby, D. Hill, Tom Rosenlind, L. Pratt, J. South, S. Mow. Back row: Tom Fisher, R. Sterling, G. Willis, Kenneth Decker, W. King, R. Herring, P. Cantaloube, D. Downer, L. Cantaloube, R. Fonseca.

Thirteenth Annual Mythical Trackfest . . .

California Takes Title; McDaniel of N. D. Runs 4:38:6

Relay Gives California Slim Edge Over North Carolina By Art Kruger

CHAMPIONS

100 — Gary Tyhurst, California 220 — Gary Tyhurst, California

440 — Jack Rampley, Illinois

880 — Jose Gonzales, California

Mile - Duane McDaniel, N. D. 120 High Hurdles - Ted McBride,

North Carolina 180 Low Hurdles - Eddie Miller,

North Carolina

Shot-put — Joe Russell, Mississippi Discus — Joe Russell, Mississippi

High Jump — Reno Coletti, Calif. Broad Jump — Judge Bourn, Indiana Pole Vault — Billy Stephens, N. C. 880-Relay — Calif. School for Deaf

Duane McDaniel, North Dakota School for the Deaf's sensational do-it kid raced to history's fastest school for the deaf one-mile clocking - 4:38.6 to highlight the annual National Mythical School for the Deaf track and field championships.

Deep and talented California School for the Deaf squad of Berkeley, coached by David Fraley, finally emerged as champion. It was its second title in the 13 years of the event, with the defending North Carolina Bears making a battle of it until the final competition in the 880-yard relay. Coach Fraley's boys scored 77 points, North Carolina 74 for second, and Nebraska took third with

In winning the mile at 4:38.6 at the Minot Senior Day meet last May 17, McDaniel bettered the national school for the deaf mark of 4:39.0 set by himself last year and George Timchenko of Mt. Airy in 1948.

The Devils Lake institution, which has long been proud of Duane's brilliant achievements on the cinders, can now be even more so.. Be sure to read a full story of McDaniel's four-year career as a trackster penned by his coach, Dwight Rafferty, elsewhere in this sports section.

California had what you would call a good track team. It was well balanced

with scoring power in all events. It had lots of depth in the sprints, middle distance and field events. It had three milers under five minutes in Jose Gonzales, Tom Fisher, and Tom Rosenlind. Its pole vaulter, Kenneth Decker, is only 16 years old and so is Ronnie Johnston, its discus and shot put boy. The latter came from Utah School for the Deaf. He is big and weighs 205 pounds.

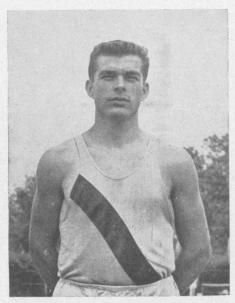
California stole the show at the annual Martinez Relays held at Alhambra High School when its Mercury-footed quartet of Reno Coletti, Oscar Ogles, John Tingley, and Gary Tyhurst wheeled around the oval four times in 3:33.9 to slice better than a second off the mile relay record established last year by Liberty High School. The old meet mark was 3:34.5.



SPORTS

Sports Editor, ART KRUGER

Assistants, LEON BAKER, ROBEY BURNS, ALEXANDER FLEISCHMAN, THOMAS HINCHEY, BURTON SCHMIDT



JOE RUSSELL, Mississippi School for the Deaf's great weight man, was a double winner in the national mythical deaf trackfest as well as in the State Class B high school meet. He did a 50 feet, II inch heave of the shot and a 141 feet, 8 ¾ inch cast of the discus. He becomes the third man in history to toss shotput over 50 feet and the first to hurl discus over 140 feet two consecutive years.

- Photo courtesy Jackson (Miss.) Daily News

In all 12 meets CSD was victorious 11 times. It suffered its only loss of the season in a dual meet with Liberty High School, 50 to 63. CSD, however, most likely would have copped this meet as John Tingley, its star hurdler and broad jumper, didn't compete in any event because of a foot injury caused by hitting a shovel while practicing the broad jump.

Sammy Blake, a student at the California school, did a good job in writing up the results of all 12 meets in which CSD competed and we think he expressed himself very well. Below is the highlight of its winning season penned by him in *The California News*:

On April 16th at 8 o'clock we left our school for Davis, about 80 miles north from Berkeley. The Cal Aggies invited about 40 different high schools to compete in a track meet on the Aggie Picnic Day. There were three different classes, large schools, medium schools, and small schools. Our tracksters were in the small school division. There were trials in the morning before the finals in the afternoon. At about 11 o'clock Gary Tyhurst was in the 100 yd. dash and placed fourth, too slow for the finals. Later Gary was in the 220 yd. dash and won first at :22.3. The runner-up was about 10 yards behind Gary. A half hour later John Tingley ran first in the 180 yd. low hurdles, but he hit the last hurdle and fell. We thought that we had no chance in any event.

In the afternoon after lunch, the track meet began and it was time for the 880 yd. dash for small schools. There were about 20 boys in that event. Jose Gonzales and Tom Ronsenlind both were in. Jose won first in the time of 2:07.9. Poor Tom fell because he was out of breath. Later Gary Tyhurst was in the 220 yd. dash for the finals. Gary won first at :22.7. He was far ahead of the second place sprinter. John Tingley and Reno Coletti were

in the 440 yd. dash. Reno led from the gun and John was second but with about 10 yards left, John passed Reno and won first. Reno placed second. The winning time was :53.5. Thomas Fisher was in the mile run with about 25 boys. He was second place, timed at 4:57. It was his first time below five minutes. The last event was the 880 yd. relay. It was a very thrilling event and the people enjoyed it. After the gun shot, Oscar Ogles was in last place, but he passed all the boys to take the lead. Second was John Tingley and third was Reno Coletti, who still kept the lead. Last was Gary Tyhurst and he won first. The winning time was 1:34.2. It was a new record for our school and almost a new record for the Davis meet. Our old school record was 1:34.4 made in 1936. Record for the Davis meet is 1:34.0.

We received two trophies. One trophy was for first place in the relay and the other one was for the highest points. They were our first trophies since 1941. For the small schools we won first with 26 points, Corning High placed second with 13½ points. Riordan was third. Sacramento High won first for the large schools, and Pittsburg High won for medium schools.

CSD also captured its first annual

CSD also captured its first annual Bay Counties Athletic League track and field meet at Menlo Park on May 14th. It was its first championship since 1941. It finished ahead of Menlo Park High School by 11 points, with a total of 64.

Gary Tyhurst, son of deaf parents of Los Angeles, was the most outstanding man on the CSD team. He was the nation's best sprinter. He was the mythical meet's double winner. He streaked to a 10.3 century victory and won the 220 in 22.3, just a second behind Edward Rodman's national school for the deaf mark of 22.2 made in 1934.

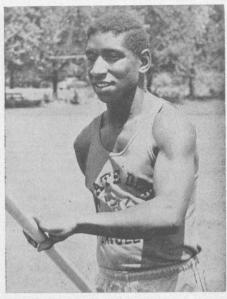
Tyhurst, by the way, did 21.8 in the 220 at CSD's first track meet of the season with St. Helena High School on March 18th, but it was not official time due to the wind. He also won the 100 at this meet with the time of 10 seconds flat also with the aid of the wind. He suffered his only loss of the season in the 220 competition when he was upset by a Menlo Park high school athlete in the annual Bay Counties trackfest and was placed second with a 22.8 clocking.

CSD also had another outstanding trackster in Jose Gonzales, nation's top half miler. He was undefeated in the 880 all season except at the Bay Counties meet when he was two feet behind the first place winner from Menlo Park High School. His best time for the season was 2:07.3.

All in all it was a great year for the Berkeley boys. They were really competitors, which Coach Fraley hadn't seen around there since he came to CSD six years ago.

And it was a heart-breaker for North Carolina to lose a tough battle with California for if it had won it would have wrapped up its sixth consecutive national mythical crown.

Prior to the half-mile relay, the final event of the mythical meet, California



BAREFOOT CONTESTANT—Indiana School for the Deaf' senior Judge Bourn, who has won 12 letters as an all-around athlete, finished his versatile career by taking second place in the pole vault with a 10'7' effort, winning first place in the broad jump (21'1") and scoring 18 % out of Indiana's total 19 % points in the national mythical trackfest. Bourn also plays football and basketball. He often pole vaults and broad jumps barefooted.

was trailing North Carolina in the point standings, North Carolina, which placed fourth in the half-mile relay had 70 points, while California had 67. California's flashy foursome of John Tongley, Reno Coletti, Gary Tyhurst and Oscar Ogles churned 1:34.2 to take first place and an additional ten points.

The other new national mark was turned in by Eddie Miller, North Carolina's football star, when he ran the 180 yard lows in 20.5 second to break the old mark of 20.6 set by Trotter Cowan of Washington last year. Eddie came along slow but his blazing speed between hurdles offset his lack of good hurdling form. If this boy had form, he could easily do 19.5 or thereabouts.

In the State finals all North Carolina could do was place fifth. This was rather well, considering the fact that Coach John Kubis' boys were up against Class AAA schools. Eddie Miller placed 5th in low hurdles, and 6th in the broad jump. Tommy Johnson was 5th in the shot put and discus. Billy Stephens took 5th place in the pole vault. Owen Bass finished out of the money in the 440. Billy Williams and Tommy Lindsey, although eligible to participate, having qualified in the preliminaries, couldn't attend because of a school affair that conflicted with the state meet.

At the state finals, Stephens almost set the deaf world afire by clearing 11 feet in the pole vault but a trailing arm knocked the bar off. He came along slowly this year, but improved immensely near the end of the season.

Williams is only 16 years old, but he ran the highs in 16.2. He should be terrific next year.

As a whole, Coach Kubis' boys were young and they hated to be beaten. They were undefeated in three triangular meets, finished second in the Asheville Relays, third in the sectional and fifth in the state. All the boys except Ted McBride will be back for another crack at the record book next year, and if things proceed as expected — look out!

Ted McBride, by the way, fell off immensely in pole vault and low hurdles this year. North Carolina, however, was fortunate to have boys like Miller and Stephens to take up the slack in these events. Ted nevertheless retained his national mythical high hurdles crown with a winning effort of 15.5.

Joe Russell, Mississippi School for the Deaf's great weight man, was another national mythical trackfest's double winner. He won both the shot put and the discus throw in the 1955 State Class B track and field meet at Clinton, Miss., May 6th. Russell threw the discus 141 feet, eight and three-quarter inches and heaved the shot put 50 feet, 11 inches.

Biggest surprise of the year was the showing of Dale Johnson of Minnesota. He showed sign of greatness when he took sixth place in the shot put in the State Class A meet with a heave of 50 feet, 3 inches. You see, he's only 16 years old and weighs 215 pounds.

Russell and Johnson became the third and fourth shot putters in schools for the deaf track and field history to lob the cast-iron jelly bean over fifty feet. The two others were Joe Hill of California in 1936 and Marvin Tuttle of Iowa in 1949.

Inquiry has been made as to whether Russell's discus throw wiped out his own record of 141ft. 1½in. established last year. A card from

Paul Wilson, Relays Director of Shenandoah (Iowa) High School, states that Marvin Tuttle while representing the Iowa School for the Deaf threw the discus 143 feet at the Mustang Relays on April 26, 1949, so this is to be considered a national school for the deaf record.

Inquiry also has been made as to whether Louisiana was the first school for the deaf ever to win a State track and field championship.. The school thought it was the first due to our own publicity in the September, 1953, issue of THE SILENT WORKER when we said that Iowa failed by only four points of becoming the first school for the deaf ever to win the state meet anywhere in the United States. In checking we were wrong. Michigan, coached by our friend Earl Roberts, was the FIRST in winning its State Class D honors in 1946, 1947 and 1949. Nebraska was the second when its Winged-N athletes captured the State Class D in 1949, so Louisiana became the third to win State Class C honors this year.

And Iowa School for the Deaf finally copped the Class C State title. It didn't have the over-all balance of its competitors, but the Council Bluffs school made the most of what it had in winning the half-mile and mile relays and placing second in the medley relay to nose Elliott and Galva high schools out of the Class C team title by one point. ISD went into the final event, the mile relay, trailing Elliott. It won in a class record time of 3:385 as Elliott finished fourth. Galva, which tied Elliott for second place with 21 points, was second in the relay. ISD also set a new record in the 880-yard relay as its quartet of Duane Darrah, Jack Barron, Carl Reed and Dennis Wernimont was timed in 1:35.6. Elliott was the defending champion. This State class C meet was held at Iowa State College in Ames.

The question was asked by many track fans at ISD as to how come Coaches Nate Lan and Dean Swaim concentrated more on the relay teams than on individual events.

Well, there are two reasons for this.

1) If you look at scoring for an Iowa high school track meet, you will see that winning a relay gets you ten points, while a first place in an individual event only gets a team five points. 2) The relay events also give more boys a chance

to participate.

Iowa scored 31 points to finish fourth in the Class C District meet held at Harlan. Most of the Bobcat scoring was provided by the brilliant relay combinations put together by Coaches Lahn and Swaim. The relay foursomes captured the 880, mile medley and mile relays and took a close second in the two mile relay. Its time for the mile relay was fast 3:373.

Best Marks for the 1955 Season

100-Yard Dash		
1—Gary Tyhurst, California	. 10.3	
2—Eddie Miller, North Carolina	. 10.4	
Lavory Killian, Tennessee	10.4	
Wesley Hargraves, Arkansas Charlie Barrie, Nebraska 6—Vernon Hardison, North Carolina	10.4	
Charlie Barrie, Nebraska	10.4	
6-Vernon Hardison North Carolina	10.5	
220-Yard Dash	. 10.0	
1—Gary Tyhurst, California	20.2	
2—Wesley Hargrayes, Arkansas	22.3	4
	. 22.8	
3—Francis Blanchard, Louisiana	. 23.3	
Griffis Ray Hancock, Texas	23.3	
5—John Tingley, California	23.5	
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1-Iack Rampley, Illinois	52.8	į
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1—Jose Gonzales, California	:07.3	
2—Sam Pert, Florida	2:09.1	
3—Gerald Smith, Arkansas	2:10.1	
Charles Barnett, Michigan	2:10.1	
5-Glenn Patterson, North Carolina 2	2:11.3	
Charles Barnett, Michigan	2:12.4	
Mile Run		
1-Duane McDaniel, North Dakota 4	:38.6	2
2—Dicky Robertson, Arizona 4	:50 2	i
3—Tom Rosenlind, California 4	:52.0	2
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3—Raymond Piper, Michigan	16.3	ġ
4—Gerald Wilding, Idaho	16.6	ŕ
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6—Jerry Kane, Illinois	16.8	0
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Tony Kovacs, Mich	5ft 6in
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DUANE McDANIEL

The North Dakota Do-lt Kid

By Dwight Rafferty

T WAS way back in the spring of 1952 that a slim, gangling lad of 15 summers reported for spring track practice at the North Dakota School for the Deaf in Devils Lake, North Dakota. Since he was as green as the leaves of the trees in early spring, it was just a hunch that prompted us to try him out in the long distance runs — the mile and half mile.

This boy was none other than Duane Ivan McDaniel, whose name was to become a by-word among the coaches and high school trackmen of North Dakota

in a very short time.

Possessing above average speed and a determination to succeed, McDaniel soon was running the mile in under five minutes and ten seconds and the half mile in under two minutes and fifteen seconds.

Here is an example of what this slender lad, weighing under 120 pounds as a freshman, accomplished in one day at the Killdeer Invitational on May 10, 1952. Due to a schedule which gave an average of 45 minutes to one hour between the medium and long distance runs, McDaniel asked to enter the 440, the 880, and the mile runs in that order. The fact that there seemed to be adequate time for rest between the separate events, prompted us against our better judgment to consent. McDaniel then proceeded to pin back our ears by running the 440 in :58.6 for third. He improved on this in the 880 by copping second in 2:14.4. Then, he topped it all off by coming from behind in the mile to win in 5:11. Remember he was only 15 at this time and this was only his second time out in actual competition

The next week in the big Rotary Meet against all comers, big or little, (at that time there were no separate classes of competition, all schools, big or small had to compete against each other in track) he placed 4th in the mile in 5:54.1 and second in the half mile

in the good time of 2:11.

At the District Meet a week later he qualified for the state meet in both these events in 4:52.9 and 2:13.7, respectively. At the State Meet he won third in the mile but couldn't finish the half mile due to sore feet caused by a very poor track full of dips and ruts.

Thus, he wound up his first year of high school competition by scoring a total of 23 points in four meets.

He also won The Silent Worker mythical mile crown. Not bad for a freshman.

With the start of the 1953 track campaign, we were ready for McDaniel to

take up where he had left off the year before and he did not disappoint us. He opened in the very large bi-state meet (Minnesota and North Dakota teams of all classes) at Grand Forks by running second to the Minnesota champion in separate heats in the time of 4:54.2. We have often wondered if the results would have been the same if they had run in the same heat.

Beginning with the Bottineau Invitational a week later, McDaniel started a two-year string of victories in the mile that was not to be broken until this year. He won the mile in 4:51.9 (new record) and the half mile in 2.08 and then took the broad jump with a leap of 19'5" for fifteen points and high point man of the meet. The broad jump victory started his competition in that event and established him as a triple threat man.

We were looking forward to the Rotary Meet with great anticipation because it would be the first meeting of McDaniel and Doug Spillum, his arch rival in the mile the year before. This was Spillum's last year and we expected a real battle right down to the tape. We were not disappointed. Spillum led the first three laps with McDaniel sticking stubbornly to his heels. On the turn of the last lap, McDaniel made his bid. He passed Spillum with a rush, pulled ahead a few yards and then outlasted Spillum's last second rush to win by two yards in his best time to date-4:46.7. He topped off this great victory with a tie in the half mile in 2:10.1. Here again the large field necessitated separate heats. We would like to mention here that the average number of entrants in both the mile and half mile usually exceeded 40, sometimes approaching 60. Separate heats often spoil the change of a battle royal when two or three outstanding performers must run in different heats instead of against each other.

A week later, at the District Meet, McDaniel won the mile in 4:51 and set a new record of 2:10.4 in the half mile. He also took second in the broad jump, leaping 19' 7" only ¾" off the first place distance. Incidentally, his old rival, Spillum, whom he had bested a week earlier, did not run in the mile, but chose to try his luck in the half mile, where he finished third. We had been hoping to see them run together again, and, thus, the result might have been a lower time than that set the week be-

McDaniel won his first Class B state

mile championship the next week in the good time of 4:48.8. Since this was faster than the Class A mile time, he was officially state mile champ of all classes. He went on to finish a close third in half mile run. By taking the mile championship he took home a beautiful individual trophy for his very own. The North Dakota School by virtue of the 7 points he earned was sixth in a field of 43 Class B Schools.

His season total in five meets was 47

this year.

McDaniel's junior year was to prove his most successful from a point standpoint as he totaled 72 points in eight meets for the year. He again was undefeated in the mile in North Dakota competition and undefeated in the half mile until he entered the state meet.

He started his string of 1954 victories when he copped both the mile and half mile at the Kiwanis Meet (all classes) at Bismarck on May 7. He won the mile in 4:50 and the half mile in 2:10.

The Minot Invitational was a repeat, except that he added a second in the broad jump there with a leap of 20' 5½". Paradoxically, this broke the old record and was to prove the best leap in his career, yet he had to settle for second when another boy did 20'7". His mile and half mile times were 4:48.9

Then he set a new record of 4:47 in the mile at the Bottineau Meet and took the half mile in 2:07.4.

Continuing his victorious trail, he copped both the mile and the half mile at the large Class A and B Rotary Meet the following week-end in 4:55.9 and 2:10.5.

Little did we foresee the result when we returned to Minot the following Wednesday for the first night meet of McDaniel's career. It seemed that night everything came out right for the kid whose name was now as well known in track circles of the state as Hopalong Cassidy is to small fry. Starting fast, McDaniel, kept up the pace throughout the four laps and we anticipated this would be the fastest time he had ever run, when he finished far ahead of a rival who had formerly been able to finish with 50 yards or so. We were right! The time was officially announced at 4:39, a new record and the best mile time in North Dakota in over a decade. To climax this great day he also ran the half mile in 2:06.8 for another new record and then placed fourth in the broad jump.

We were surprised and glad to learn later that his 4:39 mile tied the National Schools for the Deaf mile record set in 1948. McDaniel had at last proved to be at least equal to the best deaf high school miler in the history of

the sport in this country.

Two days later he set two new rec-



RECORD MILE—Duane McDaniel of North Dakota School for the deaf runs 4:38.6 mile for national school for the deaf record in Minot Senior Day meet on May 17, 1955.

ords in the District Meet in winning the mile in 4:48.9 and half mile in 2:09.5, breaking his own record set last year.

The State Meet was on the calendar for the next week and we were optimistic that McDaniel would culminate a great year by winning his second consecutive Class B mile championship and his first half mile championship. In the first he was successful, but in the latter he missed by an eyelash. After leading all the way he looked in the wrong direction to see if anyone was close. Too late he realized a competitor was closing fast on the other side and before he could speed up was nipped at the tape. His times were 4:47.6 and 2:08.9. Winning time in the half mile was 2:08.8 so you can see how close it was.

He upped his point total from seven in 1953 to eight in 1954. This is no mean feat when you consider the fact that the 1954 Class B crown was won by 14 points and 48 cities and towns were represented by their outstanding athletes.

Now, we come to Duane's final and senior year as a trackman and we bet everyone is wondering if he climaxed it in a fitting style. We assure you that he did. He was defeated, yes, yet that takes away none of the glory of being the first deaf high school athlete to run the mile in 4:38.6, thus breaking the 4:39 record of which he was co-holder in 1954.

Handicapped in his last year by a new ruling which forbade participation in more than one run of 440 yards or longer, McDaniel had to make a choice between his favorite events at which he is equally good, the mile and the half mile. He chose to concentrate on the mile and his choice was rewarded with four new victories and two new records.

In order to fill in the blank caused by being unable to compete in the half mile, we cast around for a substitute. We finally decided on the low hurdles. To our surprise, McDaniel did reasonably well in this event despite absolutely no experience up until this year.

A new sensation in the form of the 1954 Iowa mile champion made his bid in our state this spring when his father transferred to this state. Knowing he had won the mile in 4:27.5 in Iowa last year we knew it would be tough sledding for our star miler, though we knew that since the former Iowa champion would be in Class A they would meet only two or three times in open meets during the season.

First meeting was in the Indoor Meet at the University of North Dakota. We were hoping they would be in the same heat, but no such luck came our way. The first heat was won easily by the former Iowa champion, Cliff Cushman, in 4:52.9, not bad for this early in the season up here (April 16). McDaniel ran the second heat in 4:59.6 so had to settle for second. Later they met twice more, but each time our boy went down in defeat despite his best efforts. We do not hold this against him as we believe sooner or later all men must meet a better man.

At the Bottineau Invitational, McDaniel went back to his winning ways and copped three firsts — the mile in 4:50.3, the broad jump by leaping 19'9", and his first win in the low hurdles in 23.9.

Again we come to this year's Rotary meet and the papers were making big todo about the prospective duel between Cushman and McDaniel. We were considering letting McDaniel run in the half mile for the first time this year and an almost sure first. Duane would have none of it. He wanted to meet Cushman again in the mile. You can't refuse such spirit so we consented. Cushman ran a 4:39.4 mile to win.

Besides his second place in the mile, he leaped 20' ¾" in the broad jump, but could only take fourth, showing the competition was plenty stiff that day.

Now we return to Minot for the Senior Day Meet at 8 p.m. This is the same track where Duane ran his 4:39 mile last year and he seems to have a liking for it, especially for night meets. Before the mile run we were urging him to run at least a 4:38.9 mile as we were sure he could do it. The result when it was announced, left us gasping for breath! He had done it—a 4:38.6 mile! At last he could claim sole ownership to the Na-

tional Schools for the Deaf mile record as the fastest deaf high school miler in the history of the sport. He deserved it and we went all out in our congratulations.

As if this were not enough for one day, he went on to take first in the broad jump and second in the low hurdles for 13 points and high point honors. He leaped 19'9%" and ran the low hurdles in 23.2.

The 1955 District Meet was run off the next week. McDaniel came through with three firsts this time — the mile in 4:49, the low hurdles in 23.2 and the broad jump with a leap of 19'6". He also ran anchor on our 880 relay team which won fourth for a total of 15% points.

At the State Meet on May 28 we learned not to count our chickens before they are hatched. In our opinion, Mc-Daniel was a sure bet to win his third straight Class B state mile championship. His average time for the season was far superior to anything in Class B. But you must reckon with many things before you have a sure bet and then it is more likely than not to fail. McDaniel didn't get in enough practice that last week due to commencement rehearsals and rain. However, we didn't believe it would hurt him much. The State Meet was run off in about the worst weather we have ever experienced at a state meet. It had been raining for four days off and on just preceding the meet and it rained intermittently during the meet. When McDaniel made a poor showing in the broad jump, we wondered what would happen in the mile. Sure enough we knew he was not running well after one lap. It wasn't until the third lap that he was passed, but he hung on and we did not lose hope until we saw his finishing kick was gone at the last curve. He finished fourth when caught at the tape by a runner he had beaten many times. But what astonished us was the winning time. It was 4:59.8, around 12 seconds under his season average. He collapsed after the race and was really out for at least ten minutes. He came around all right later and it did us good to see him okay even if he had lost.

It takes only a few years to regale a once famous athlete into the background, but Duane McDaniel will never be forgotten by this school or his coach. During his four-year track career, he earned a total of 203½ points. He had 34 first place wins, almost as many seconds and a host of thirds and fourths. He won 47 medals and 2 ribbons and two individual state championship trophies. He also was the chief reason that three new team trophies have been added to our trophy case in the last two years.



BLANCHARD GIVES ALL FOR STATE TITLE—Francis Blanchard, after just finishing running in the 220-yard dash event, wins the mile relay event for Louisiana School for the Deaf to give his team the state Class C championship by one-half a point. After beginning with a short lead on the final lap, Blanchard was passed on the far side of the track by Gordon Hayes of Roanoke High School, but applied a final kick on the final turn to win the event by two strides. Hayes came in second.

HE PRESS ANNOUNCED that the Louisiana School for the Deaf was a strong contender for the State Class C Track Crown. It was true that the team was undefeated in four outings, having won a triangular and two quadragular meets by good scores, to say nothing of the district tournament which they copped a good 40 points ahead of the nearest rival. In reality the school had begun organized track but a year ago and could boast of nothing better than a fourth in the 220 and a fifth in the discus in last year's state track meet, a total of three points. No new men of phenomenal nature showed up this spring. Only last year's nucleus remained short of a good sprinter. Optimism resulted from weak district rivals.

This squad representing Louisiana School for the Deaf tipped Roanoke High School, 40-39½, for the State Class C track and field championship. But the Mustangs had to win the final event and hope that Morrow High School didn't come in second to do it. Prior to the mile relay, LSD was trailing Morrow and Roanoke in the point standings. Morrow, which placed fourth in the mile relay, had 33 points, while Roanoke had 31½ to 30 for LSD. The LSD runners had to really work at it to win the big one. Left to right, sitting: Joseph Jeneau, Felix Guedimin, Ray Hagan, Edward Amos. Standing: John Shipman (assistant coach), Ray Suire, Bill Hebert, Louis Cannon, Sidney LeJeune, Francis Blanchard and Coach Francis Drury.

Louisiana Boys Show Courage on Cinder Path

By Kenneth Lane

A Surprise

To be sure, the track team from LSD had a good coach in Francis Drury, who doubles as a professor in the Physical Education Department at the Louisiana State University, and an able assistant in Johnny Shipman. Despite this, any coach can tell you it takes more than a year to build a winning team and much more than the even dozen boys who showed up this season.

With this in mind, one can imagine the surprise of sports followers when they read the *Morning Advocate* here in Baton Rouge on the morning of May 1st and saw that LSD had captured the Class C State Track Tourney. The victory was sweeter because it was achieved by only a half point and on what Mayor LaGuardia would term intestinal fortitude — better known as sheer guts.

Will to Win

The will to win was high on the opening day of the tournament. Only the two best contestants in each event from each district were entered. LSD had nine boys entered. Each was out to do his best. Last year's fifth place man in the discus was the surprise of the tourney with a 121' 1112 inch discus heave, 1/2 inch short of the state class C record to take first place. This was not a record heave in any book but to Felix Guedimin it was part of his heart as he has not done better than 119 feet all season. William Hebert placed fourth with a toss of 111'4% inches. This also carried with it lots of grit as he had barely gone over 104 feet previously. In the javelin LSD picked up two more points on a fourth place throw of 136'34 inches by Ray Suire. Here again, sheer determination added four feet to his season's best. It was with these nine points

that LSD entered the 880 yard Relay. Joseph Jeneau, 100-yard dash man led the field by a few paces on the first sprint, handing the baton to Edward Amos who widened the gap a few more paces before passing to Louis Cannon. Amos is a diminutive five feet four inches who runs on clock springs, which can be readily seen in the strain he expresses in giving his all in anything he attempts. Cannon lengthened the gap to twenty yards with a driving force of which any Irishman would be proud. Anchor man Francie Blanchard, tops in the nation's 220 dashmen with a 22.8 heat in last year's state meet, in which he placed fourth, finished out the relay ε good fifty yards ahead of the nearest rival in 1:36.3, just 3/10 of a second below the state record. Further testimony to the inner stuff that these boys had can be seen when one considers that minutes before the relay, Blanchard had just finished a qualifying heat in the 220 yard dash.

Slim Hopes

It was here the first day ended with LSD leading the pack by 19 points. The nearest threat was seven points behind. At LSD the spirit was high but in the minds of older sports fans and coaches not much optimism lived. LSD was not entered in the 880 yard dash, the high jump, the pole vault, high hurdles nor the hop, step and jump. The shot-put man would have to hit over 40 feet to place. He was a consistent 38 or 39 with the wind behind him. The 100 yard dashman had to beat a 10.3 time set in a qualifying heat and the 220 man was running against a 22.3 qualifying heat clocking. In the 440 yard dash, hope flickered at 54.3 qualifying heat by Louis Cannon. Last year he ran the 440



in 58 and 59 seconds. Most improved on the squad this year, Cannon literally eats, sleeps and drinks track. The 440 yard relay and the mile relay looked hopeful also, considering the victory in the 880 yard Relay. It was figured that LSD would make a better showing than last year as 17 other schools boasted stars. But figuring did not take into account the enthusiasm and that inside grit that the LSD boys could display when the chips were down.

Louis Cannon took a third place in the 440 yard dash and minutes later helped the relay team, at the same distance, take another third to swell the LSD total to 28 points. Sidney Le Jeune eked out a fifth in the low hurdles and added to Jeneau's fifth in the century. LSD had 30 points with but the 220 and the mile relay to end the meet. When Blanchard failed to place in the 220, team points stood at 33 for first place Morrow, 31 and ½ for Roanoke and 30 for LSD. Any of the three teams could win with the 10 points from the mile relay, but for LSD it would be the hardest because a first for LSD and a second for Morrow would still mean only second place in the totals. LSD had to finish first and hope that Morrow did not finish second. Morrow scratched their 220 yard dashman to save him for the relay.

The Finishing Kick

Joe Jeneau started out too fast in the first lap, losing steam on the final turn and passed to Edward Amos, who started in third position. His was also an overanxious speed that petered out, giving Louis Cannon fourth position on his lap. But Cannon ran the 440 of his life and not only passed all the leaders but gave Francis Blanchard a short twoyard lead to work with. Blanchard's long stride kept him in front until half way around when the pace and the fact that he had just finished the 220 yard dash began to tell. A Roanoke runner slipped past and sprinted for the final turn. It was then that Blanchard put on the final kick, though where it came from was difficult to say, and, straining every muscle, passed the finish line two paces ahead of the nearest rival, winning the state meet by a close 40-39 and ½ margin. LSD's fans mobbed him.

Apology Supposedly the word "guts" strikes an off-key in the formal harmony of journalism. But there is no better word to explain, with feeling, that certain something that gave the LSD boys the state track crown.

It is believed that LSD is the first such institution for the Deaf to capture a state track title. A huge trophy now rests among the few other symbols of LSD athletic prowness in the trophy case. It is a symbol of determination, training and guts on the cinder path.

The Answer Box

This department is conducted by Laura and Felix Kowalewski, 3026 Jane Street, Riverside, California.

This Month's Question is:

How did you first become interested in the deaf?

I became a teacher of the deaf because I stopped, considered, and turned a corner.

It was the fall of 1920. I had re-



turned to Gooding College for my sophomore year and Merl Imes and I started for town to look for work. We talked as we walked and all at once we stopped talking and

walking. We were in front of the entrance of the Idaho State School for the Deaf and the Blind. Should we go in? We didn't want to because no one likes job hunting; we preferred to walk and talk. We reasoned that this was a large place in the community and that we better not pass up such a good possibility. Superintendent Ethel M. Hilliard took our applications. Three weeks later I was called to a part-time janitor job. I am satisfied that if I had not turned that corner I would not have gone to work in the hearing field.

STAHL BUTLER, Lansing, Mich.

(Mr. Butler went on to become a teacher of the deaf, and principal, in various schools; is now executive director of the Michigan Association for Better Hearing; conducts an interesting and informative column on his experiences with the deaf, in The National Observer.)

I have had close association with the deaf all my life, as my parents are deaf. It was my father's ambition that I teach deaf children. I have not regretted carrying out his wishes.

My husband, William L. Fair, is of a family of teachers. Living in a community where the State School for the Deaf is located, he became interested in Special Education. He has taught, served as principal, and is now Dean of Boys in the State School for the Deaf located here.

> MRS. ELLEN J. FAIR Indianapolis, Indiana

How I first became interested in the deaf?

Much to my surprise I was assigned to teach Art here at St. Mary's School for the Deaf. The great interest shown in art work by a number of the pupils, and the real talent manifested in many cases, naturally inspired me with a love and devotion toward these deaf children.

I am especially proud of their work in our ceramic department. Some of our graduates are now employed in making ceramics on a commercial basis.

SISTER LEO CLARE, St. Mary's School for the Deaf Buffalo, New York

(Mr. & Mrs. Kowalewski have moved to Riverside, California, where Mr. Kowalewski is on the teaching staff at the School for the Deaf. Please note their new address at the top of this column.)

Sister Leo Clare of St. Mary's School, with pupil and a display of ceramic work done at the school.



National Association of the Deaf Byron B. Burnes, President Robert M. Greenmun, Sec.-Treas.

Report of the Committee on Resolutions

Triennial Convention, Cincinnati, Ohio, July 8, 1955

Education of the Deaf

Resolved, That the National Association of the Deaf go on record as giving its unqualified support to the Convention of American Instructors of the Deaf and to the Conference of Executives of American Schools for the Deaf as accepted authorities on all matters pertaining to the education of the deaf.

Nomenclature

Whereas, In our efforts to give the general public a true picture of the deaf we are hampered by the prevailing confusion of terms; therefore be it

Resolved, That we urge the deaf and their friends to use, in their conversation and writing, those simplified terms agreed upon as designating the various groups having defective hearing - the Deaf and the Hard of Hearing.

Methods

Whereas, The educated deaf of the country are agreed that the Combined System of educating the deaf is the humanitarian system, therefore be it

Resolved, That the traditional stand of the National Association of the Deaf in favor of the Combined System, which includes every known method and every means available in the education of the deaf, be re-affirmed.

Lip Reading and Hearing Aids

Whereas, Well-meaning persons reiterate that lip reading and hearing aids can solve all the problems of the deaf and the hard of hearing, giving the public a distorted picture and giving parents of deaf children hopes that in many cases can never be realized; therefore

Resolved: That while we acknowledge the value of oral training in any educational program, we place education in all its phases as being of more importance than mere ability to read the lips without true understanding.

The Sign Language and the Manual Alphabet

Whereas, The sign language and the manual alphabet have helped the deaf of this country live a better and fuller life; therefore be it

Resolved, That we re-affirm our belief in this language which has had and continues to have a place in the daily life of the deaf. And, be it further

Resolved, That the National Association of the Deaf collaborate with the Convention of American Instructors of the Deaf, Gallaudet College, the Gallaudet College Alumni Association, and the Social Service Conference in preparing and publishing a sign manual which

will be approved by representatives of each of these national organizations of the deaf and hence be the official sign manual of the deaf of this country. And be it further

Resolved; That the secretary of the National Association of the Deaf be instructed to petition the Boy Scouts of America and the Girl Scouts of America to restore the Manual Alphabet to the Scout Handbooks.

Whereas, The sign language used by a majority of the deaf is their best means of communication among their

fellow deaf, and

Whereas, There is a noticeable deterioration of its proper usage, and the use of objectionable slang is more and more destroying the beautiful language of signs, and

Whereas, Young deaf children learn signs on the campus of our schools from one another, since there is no other means provided for teaching or learn-

ing it; therefore be it

Resolved, That our school administrators be requested to consider a class of instruction in the language of signs, and that this convention go on record as strongly advocating such a program.

Schools for the Deaf

Whereas, The education of the deaf is affected by the type of school and the preparation of the teachers and administrators; therefore be it

Resolved, That the National Association of the Deaf vigorously opposes the political appointment of inexperienced persons to the office of superintendent of a school for the deaf, since such appointment tends to lower the standards of the school and work an injustice on the deaf child. The National Association of the Deaf believes that the ideal superintendent is one who has been properly trained in an accepted training center, such as Gallaudet College, and has had practical class room experience in teaching the deaf. The National Association of the Deaf also reiterates its stand as favoring residential schools for the deaf, where classes are large enough to allow proper grading of students, and where vocational classes and extra-curricular activities are in vogue, thus giving the deaf child a well-rounded education that prepares him to play an important part in the game of life.

Gallaudet College

Resolved, That the National Association of the Deaf commend Dr. Leonard M. Elstad, president of Gallaudet College, and his capable board and staff, for the progressive expansion program that has been inaugurated. The National Association of the Deaf suggests that the College inaugurate a correspondence course for graduates of our schools for the deaf who for some reason are unable to attend college.

Deaf Teachers

Whereas, Deaf teachers of the Deaf have compiled an outstanding record of successful teaching in schools using the combined system, which comprise the great majority of schools in America,

Whereas, Deaf teachers by their example and their interest and enthusiasm. as well as by their ability to teach, have been an invaluable force for good in the education of the deaf, and

Whereas, The services of deaf teachers are indispensable to the proper prog-

ress of many children, therefore be it Resolved, That the National Association of the Deaf condemn and deplore the efforts of certain minority factions in the field of education of the deaf to install rigid oral methods as the sole means of educating the deaf, and be it

Resolved, That the National Association of the Deaf will vigorously oppose any and all efforts to eliminate deaf teachers and replace them with teachers capable of using only the inadequate, single approach, oral method of instruc-

Chapel Services

Resolved, That we suggest to schools for the deaf that regular chapel services be held to give students a clear conception of the value of religion and morals.

Support for Virginia Association

Resolved, That the National Association of the Deaf continue its support of the Virginia Association of the Deaf towards the establishment of a new school for the blind and placing the state school for the deaf under the board of education.

Vocational Status of the Deaf

Whereas, It is a matter of deep concern that adequate and reliable data be made available on the vocational status of the deaf, data from which conclusions of importance to the programs of schools for the deaf may be derived; therefore be it

Resolved, That the National Association of the Deaf approve and endorse a nation-wide study of the vocational activities in which deaf men and women find employment, and be it further

Resolved, That such a study, contemplated by Gallaudet College, in cooperation with the National Association of the Deaf and the U.S. Office of Vocational Rehabilitation, receive the endorsement of this convention.

Maryland School for the Deaf and Gallaudet College

Whereas, A wholly unfounded and unjustified attack was recently made on the methods of instruction used in the Maryland School for the Deaf and in Gallaudet College by the director of the Hearing and Speech Center at the Johns

Hopkins Hospital, and

Whereas, A Baltimore paper printed this scurrilous attack on the two aforementioned fine institutions for the education of the deaf, and refused to print the factual rebuttals submitted by the respective heads of these institutions, as fair play and journalistic integrity would require, and

Whereas, The administrations of both institutions have thorough backgrounds of training and experience in all phases of education and preparation of deaf students for well-adjusted and productive lives, and long records of dis-tinguished service in the education of

the deaf: therefore be it Resolved, That the National Association of the Deaf in convention assembled strongly deplore and condemn this

unfounded attack and the lack of journalistic fair play, and

Resolved, That this Association deplore the growing tendency of faddists, theorists, and self-appointed experts on the education of the deaf to make sensational statements, especially when using the prestige of a great university, and fine sounding phrases, to give a deceptive semblance of scientific and factual backing; and

Resolved, That it is the sense of this Association that no university should be a party to the spreading of misinformation which can be as damaging to the handicapped children as surgical

malpractice; and Resolved, That copies of this resolution be sent to the Johns Hopkins University Medical Center, and to The Baltimore Sun.

Peddling and Begging

Whereas, Peddling and begging by irresponsible persons masquerading as deaf or those who are deaf and fully capable of regular employment bring disrepute to the good name of the deaf as a class, therefore be it

Resolved. That we urge state associations to have legislation enacted to end this evil, and that the state associations through all newspapers of their respective states and all radio stations ask the general public to refuse patronage to these peddlers and/or beggars.

Open Forum

Whereas, The Round-Table Conference of delegates from state organizations has become so large, helpful, and popular, be it

Resolved, That we recommend that these open forums become a regular part of the National Association of the Deaf conventions and that we thank all the many states sending delegates to this convention and recommend that all state organizations send delegates to future conventions.

Home Office

Whereas, The value of a home office for the National Association of the Deaf has been clearly demonstrated, be it

Resolved. That it is the sense of this convention that an all-out effort should be made to maintain such an office so that the deaf everywhere may be served.

Automobile Driving and Insurance Whereas, The problem of automobile driving and securing of driver's licenses and liability insurance arises from time

to time, be it

Resolved, That the state associations of the deaf and other organizations be ever on the alert regarding this problem. In order to protect all deaf drivers, it is suggested that state associations impress on the deaf the seriousness of driving without proper liability insur-

Stimulation of Interest

Resolved, That the Treasurer of the National Association of the Deaf publish a condensed financial report in THE SILENT WORKER in the January and July issues each year. This should show all receipts and expenditures and give members a true picture of the financial standing of the Association.

Captioned Films

Resolved, That the National Association of the Deaf commend the "Captioned Films for the Deaf" and allow its name to be used as one of the sponsors of this worthy project.

President's Luncheon

Resolved, That a President's Luncheon be held at each convention to pay tribute to the current and past presidents of the Association.

Gallaudet Luncheon

Resolved, That a Gallaudet Luncheon be held at each convention to honor the memory of Thomas Hopkins Gallaudet.

Convention Business Program

Whereas, The National Association of the Deaf is primarily dedicated to the welfare of the deaf, and is not a club or such similar organization dedicated to pleasure, and

Whereas, Many of those intensely interested members are limited financially, as well as limited in time to be spent at conventions, therefore be it

Resolved, That this convention instruct all future local convention committees to arrange the business schedule of Association conventions, so that they may run consecutively until the business is finished, with the banquet to follow immediately thereafter, and be it further

Resolved, That the local committees also be instructed to arrange for picnics or outings either before or after, or both before and after, the business sessions are completed, for the benefit of those who come for pleasure or for mixed pleasure and business.

Thanks and Felicitations

Resolved, That felicitations be sent to Dr. Jackson A. Raney, superintendent of the Indiana School for the Deaf, who was recently elected president of Kiwanis International.

Resolved, That thanks are due Mr. and Mrs. Hilbert Duning for bringing the Diamond Jubilee Convention to Cincinnati, and that thanks are also due and given to LeRoy L. Duning and the members of his local committee for arranging an excellent program.

Resolved, That this convention acknowledges the fine work done for the Association by Frederick A. Moore, James O. Hamersly, and Lawrence N. Yolles, and that we express our deep sorrow in the recent untimely passing of these leaders and workers for the deaf.

Resolved, That thanks be given to George Gordon Kannapell and David Peikoff for conducting rallies that have raised funds to help sustain the Home

Resolved, That thanks are due and given to the officers of the National Association of the Deaf who have worked tirelessly for the N.A.D. since the last convention.

Resolved. That thanks be also ex-

tended to the following:

Roy J. Stewart, Chairman of the N.A.D. Motion Picture Committee for more than forty years.

Dr. and Mrs. Elwood A. Stevenson.

Dr. Harry Best.

The Sheraton-Gibson Hotel.

Mrs. Isabella King. Mrs. Rene Epding.

Mrs. Edwina Ruppert and Mrs. Vir-

ginia Lewis, interpreters. Governor Frank Lausche.

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